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'NO' VOTE TO 177 NEW HOUSES Councillors hail White Farm vote as a 'fantastic victory for democracy'

BARRY'S borough and town councillors have hailed the vote by the Vale's planning committee to reject plans to build a housing estate at White Farm as a victory for local residents.

Just weeks ago, as a victory for local democracy,

REPORT by TIM CHAPMAN

"I welcome the decision of the planning committee. At last they have stood up for the people of Barry."

"I know that the developers and some councillors thought the plans could not be rejected, but I am glad to say the majority of councillors found they had serious planning concerns and had the backbone to say so."

Density of housing proposed has weighed heavily in the minds of local people – and that was reflected in the vote.

Coun Curtis observed: "Numerous councillors expressed their concerns at the density of the development and from that the pressure on flooding, traffic and the

setting of the ancient church of St Dyfan and St Teilo."

Town councillor Keith Lewis, whose ward takes in part of the area under consideration, said it was a "fantastic result after years of campaigning".

Nine years ago, along with the Pastures Neighbourhood Watch group, Councillor Lewis set up the anti-White Farm development group.

He insisted that the mistake by those backing the plans was to push for so many houses.

"At a public inquiry, the planning inspector laid down the figure of 130 homes at 25 per hectare – that figure was not 'indicative' as has been claimed."

"Persimmon tried to go for 177 houses at 35 per hectare."

Coun Lewis pointed out that with an appeal likely, he believed that one day there would be houses on White Farm, but nowhere near the 177 which had been proposed.

He added: "There also has to be consideration that at some stage the cemetery will have to be extended. Barry people have a right to be buried locally."

Steve Blakeman, the chairman of Barry Flood Group, and his wife Marilyn, who have campaigned on the dangers of flooding in the town, said they were thrilled with the decision by councillors to say 'no' to the development.

He explained: "I went

along on Thursday night expecting houses to be built, but what happened at the planning meeting was historic for the town."

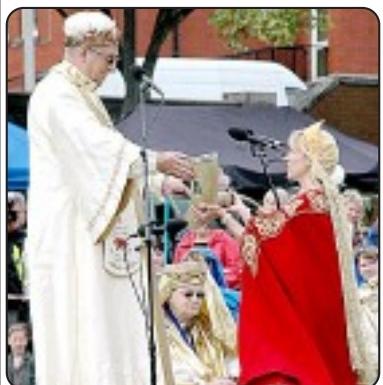
"I have to commend the contributions of councillors Tony Hampton, Nick Hodges and Marguerita Wright – they were outstanding."

Mr Blakeman added that intensive campaigning over the last four years appeared to have borne fruit.

During the debate, Coun Marguerita Wright in whose Dyfan ward White Farm is situated, stressed: "I am in regular touch with residents and have yet to find one who lives locally in favour of this development."

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PROCLAMATION DAY!



THE Proclamation of the National Eisteddfod of Wales, to be held in the Vale next year, took place in Barry on Saturday, June 25.

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by TIM CHAPMAN



ABOVE: Karen (right) and her friend Ceri Palmer.

THE Barry community is rallying to the support of a brave young mother who is attempting to raise the daunting figure of £22,000 for a new cancer treatment.

Last year, Karen Holroyd, aged 31, was given the devastating news that she had cervical cancer.

Karen, who is employed as a legal secretary with JA Hughes solicitors in Barry, explained: "I found out last August after a biopsy in Llandough Hospital.

"Following the diagnosis, I had an eight-week course in chemotherapy and radiotherapy in Velindre Hospital."

However, the gruelling treatment was not without side-effects.

Karen explained: "I suffered tiredness and nausea, and following the treatment, I am unable to

have more children."

Karen is mum to son Elliot, aged 10, and has a supportive partner, Anthony Frost, who has a 10-year-old son Jacob who often stays with them.

Naturally, Karen and Anthony

had hoped the initial treatment would be successful, but have just found out that it has spread to Karen's lymph nodes.

She now faces a further course of chemotherapy, which will involve more side-effects, including losing her hair.

"The treatment won't cure me, but it will control the cancer."

But now Karen has heard of a revolutionary new treatment called 'cyberknife treatment'.

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SEARCH FOR A BRAINWAVE?

WITH reference to the ongoing controversy over the subject of drilling through shale for gas in the Vale of Glamorgan, if the Severn barrage had been built – the plans for which have only recently been definitely called off – there would have been no question of any drilling for gas in the Vale.

Tide levels in the Bristol Channel would rise as far west as Lundy Island.

A huge amount of excavation to contain river flow would have been necessary for the long hours of very high water at full tides, allowing for extreme flood conditions.

This would have

Recycle to cut back on waste

EVERY house hold in Britain produces more than a tonne of waste each year – that's a waste mountain of about 28 million tonnes altogether!

Most of this waste ends up in landfill sites, which pollutes ground

raised groundwater levels over an area infinitely greater than the quarries themselves.

The major rivers that would have been involved in the area to be searched for gas between Swansea and Cardiff are: the Tawe, the Neath, the Afan, the Ogmore/Ewenny, the Thaw/Weycock, the Ely and the Taff.

(Never mind the many minor rivers not marked on an Ordnance Survey map of three miles to the inch – which would take up a good deal of land during several hours in flood conditions).

So this new plan is evidently a mere brainwave.

It looks to me a teeny-weeny bit like tantrums on the part of the powers that be!

Heather Montgomery, Llantwit Major.

THE COLUMN YOU WRITE

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'No building on the green sites'

IOFTEN wonder as I near Barry Road from Kings Square in Barry and Cemetery Approach, adorned with trees, providing a much-needed splash of green foliage (along with a secluded shield hiding houses on either side) why our council officials cannot utilise the occasional services of a tree surgeon and park keeper?

The work we did through the FOCUSBarry group, obtaining 10,000-plus signed petitions, as well as proving that this ground was designated 'open space' many years ago, should not be wasted.

After seeing a Sainsbury store rejected opposite Romilly Infants School and the fantastic rejection of the White Farm housing development, let all caring Barry folk now urge our councillors to treat this approach with the reverence it so rightly deserves.

It's certainly not going to cripple the council, or council taxes, by returning this area where the old council greenhouses once stood back to earth (and removing the unnecessary concrete bases).

It is time for the council to realise the pent-up frustration within the community about some decisions they make and in the way these are made.

So come on, Barry Council, how about giving

ing Cemetery Approach some serious TLC? Maybe as a further thought, as I am a member of The Woodland Trust, surely some beautiful clusters of oak and British trees and bluebells would look lovely on the White Farm land?

So why not now allow The Woodland Trust to plant trees, as it does in other parts of Britain?

I support decisions, along with many other Barry voters, to build on brown field sites such as the docks area – but there must be no more housing on 'green site land! (Name and address supplied)

White Farm stays green – for now!

IWOULD like to thank the residents of Barry who attended the Vale Council planning committee's site visit at White Farm on Thursday, June 23, and then the planning meeting held later the same evening.

It was clear from the comments of the planning committee members that those who represented Barry wards (together with Vale councillors from both Labour and Plaid Cymru) were against the proposal as it stood, to build 177 houses on White Farm; while the Tories from the rural Vale really couldn't see what the fuss was about, and voted to agree to the plans submitted by Persimmon Homes.

One Tory councillor had disappointingly not been present at the site visit, but it was clear from the comments made that she did not know where White Farm was, or the history and setting of the ancient

Unfortunately, there were a few casualties, several kites ended up in the bushes and one even did a spectacular dive over the cliff edge and ended up in the water on the incoming tide, to a big sigh and a round of applause.

So thank you to the organisers for coming up with a simple idea that gave so much pleasure and, hopefully, will be repeated again next year.

Joy Strangward, Barry.

PEOPLE moan today about the cost of petrol – so let's go back 50 years when the cost of four gallons of petrol was £1.

The cost of a pint was 10p (no lager in those days) and the average wage for a non-qualified worker was £10 a week.

So what do we have today? The cost of four gallons of petrol is about £24. The cost of a pint of beer (not lager) is

£2.40 and the average wage of a non-qualified worker is £240 per week.

Not much different, is it, to 50 years ago?

The only rip-off is diesel, which was two-thirds the price of petrol.

A big difference is that cars today do a lot more to a gallon than 50 years ago.

You were lucky if you got more than 35mpg – unless you had a Mini, which only got 40mpg.

Bill Lang, Barry.

Surprised by the bus lane award

IWAS left surprised that the Vale Council could win an award in the, 'travel demand management' category, at The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport's (CILT) Annual Awards for Excellence on May 27.

Coun Jeffrey James, cabinet member for planning and transportation, stated: "I am delighted that the Institute has yet again recognised the efforts of the Vale Council in delivering sustainable transport schemes."

Most people on the street think it is a total waste of time and money.

Obviously, Coun James (as well as CILT) think the lane is the council's idea of delivering sustainable transport schemes.

Does the Institute know it only saves the buses 0.56 seconds to get from the start of the bus lane to the lights, after having to crawl through the village at most times of the day?

Is this delivering a sustainable transport system?

Coun James states: "The bus lane provides improvements to bus timings"

Does it? I suppose it would save 0.56 seconds, if the bus can miss the red light waiting for it at the end of this

much-hailed bus lane. Most times, however, it has to wait at a red light while all the cars pass it by.

I think it dangerous, as I have seen buses go from the bus lane into the normal traffic lane, or vice-versa, to beat the lights.

Shortly after the bus lane opened, the council cut the buses from one every half an hour to one every hour.

This means that the bus lane will lay idle for long periods of the day and night; while the rest of the traffic will still be queuing, passing by an empty lane, the view of the countryside blocked by weeds that have overgrown in between the fields and the three fences to the footpath.

Is this delivering sustainable transport?

Surely at peak times the bus lane lights, could be turned off, relying on the Barons Court lights, and could be used by traffic going into Cardiff and the normal lane going right to Penarth, for example.

Many taxpayers would welcome an explanation of what criteria was used by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport for deciding that the bus lane was to win the award for excellence in the travel demand management category – and why it was built in the first place, if it is to be used so little?

Margo Farbrace Dinas Powys

POPPY DAY: THANK YOU

ON behalf of the Royal British Legion, we would like to say a huge thank you to all those in Llantwit Major and surrounding areas, who kindly donated and supported our celebrations for the 90th anniversary of the Poppy, which was held on June 18 in the town, and later on at the rugby club.

You all helped us to raise a magnificent sum of £728, which goes directly towards helping those in need.

Special thanks to Coun Ralph Austin and our new Mayor, Eddie Williams, for organising the event for us.

Maureen Geary-Andrews, Branch Secretary, Llantwit Major.

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL JULY 7)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Portcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20–25 minutes later.

DATE	TIME	Ht	TIME	Ht
	AM	M	PM	M
30 Thur	07.27	8.8	19.46	9.0
01 Fri	08.09	9.0	20.27	9.3
02 Sat	08.52	9.4	21.05	9.6
03 Sun	09.35	9.6	21.54	9.8
04 Mon	10.16	9.7	22.34	9.9
05 Tues	10.59	9.6	23.18	9.7
06 Wed	11.43	9.4	23.58	9.4
07 Thur			12.31	8.9

While The GEM makes every effort to check the accuracy of tide tables, we recommend that anyone putting out to sea, or walking in an area where they could be cut off, should always check with a tide table specific to their location.

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Mother's joy as Tobias makes fresh progress!

GEM readers who have followed the story of seven-year-old former Barry schoolboy Tobias Lunnon, who was paralysed in a road collision last summer, will be glad to hear that there has been an improvement in his condition.

Tobias has been treated at Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge for the last 10 months, with his mother Fiona at his side.

Fiona told The GEM this week: "There has

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been some improvement in the movement of his neck, and he is keeping his head up by himself while on the tilt table – for a whole six and a half minutes!"

Fiona explained: "My brave son has been practising moving his neck to get it to this stage."

"I was told about five months ago that he would not move from the jaw line down, but although it is only a small development, it is one that was not expected."

"Just recently, there

has been a change in Tobias's breathing and I have a feeling that he is making some breaths for himself, but this has yet to be confirmed."

"If there are breaths, it is unknown whether they would be strong enough to allow the removal of the ventilator."

Tobias also manages to get out for day trips and recently went to the cinema to see *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*.

Fiona said that he is continuing to make academic progress, too.

"He is progressing

very well in his school work, reading in English, after being taught in the Welsh medium, and is flying in his maths.

"He makes the nurses laugh with his quirky sense of humour and turn of phrase, and being very fiesty which is wonderful."

Due to his physical restrictions, DVDs and internet entertainment are an important part of his day.

Fiona said: "He really enjoyed watching the new Gnomes and Juliet DVD and watched it twice in succession.

"We are playing

"Dragons of Atlantis" on

Facebook and Tobias enjoys attacking other cities to get their resources!"

He is now getting so big that he can no longer fit in the chair with me, so they have to hoist him onto the bed so I can sit on the bed and he can be put back on me for 'mummy snuggles'.

As he says: "There is always hope".

They are precious moments."

Fiona added: "My son is still totally Tobias and I am so proud of all his strength of character and personality that continues to make him aspire to be all he can be."

Police ask anyone with information to contact Barry CID on 01446 731606, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

BARRY STREET INCIDENT: man is sought

POLICE in Barry are appealing for information following an incident in Evelyn Street at 11.30am on Sunday, June 19, when a 27-year-old woman walking home along a lane at the rear of the Iceland store, was approached by an unknown man and touched inappropriately.

He was described as white, in his early 20s, around 5ft 7ins

in height, of stocky build, dark coloured hair and wearing light blue jeans which had an 'Evisio; sign on the rear right pocket, and a denim jacket.

Police ask anyone with information to contact Barry CID on 01446 731606, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.



LEFT: Tobias has experienced some movement in his neck – a significant step forward.

Recording studio plans put on hold

PLANS to build a recording studio at the Barry YMCA have been put on hold while councillors take a site visit.

Coun Richard Bertin said he had brought the matter before the

Vale planning committee following objections by residents that if the studio was given the go-ahead, it would lead to noise nuisance and parking problems.

"Residents have submitted a petition to the planning department listing their objections.

Meanwhile, planning officials have since recommended approval of the scheme.

"The site visit is expected to take place prior to the planning committee meeting on July 28," he stated.

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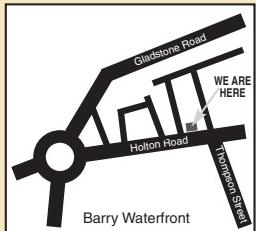


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Victory, as councillors reject the Sainsbury's store plans

RESIDENTS and businesses in Barry were celebrating victory on Thursday night, June 23, after Vale councillors rejected planning applications that would have enabled Sainsbury's to open a new branch on Park Crescent.

There had been strong local opposition to the supermarket chain's proposal for over a year.

Among those celebrating the decision were the Patel family, who own the local Charles for all their sup-

newsagents and had feared for the future of their business.

Jaymesh Patel said: "There were more than 3,500 signatures on the petition opposing the store, and 90 letters.

"We were surprised and thought it would go the other way."

His parents Narendra and Kokila told The GEM: "We want to thank all of our customers, members of the local community, the Assembly Member, Jane Hutt, and Coun Janice Charles for all their sup-

DRAMA IN OBAN STREET

Saturday night shock as house wall crashes into the street



The end view of the partially-collapsed house, with rubble piled alongside it and scattered across the road.

A young family and their neighbours in Barry were given the shock of their lives when tons of brickwork and masonry came crashing down from the end wall of a house on a terraced street.

The drama took place in Oban Street early on Saturday evening.

One local resident told The GEM: "It was at about 7.15pm that we heard a huge crashing sound. We thought a lorry had collided with something."

"People ran out into

by TIM CHAPMAN

the street, and the family inside the house came out looking shaken."

When the clouds of dust had drifted off, what was left was a pile of rubble alongside the house, where the garage had stood, and rubble scattered across the road that runs up to Mount Pleasant Baptist Church.

The resident said the end wall of the terrace had been bulging outwards for some time, and it was believed to have been caused by subsidence.

The terrace is around

100 years old.

Another near neighbour told The GEM: "The family had only moved in this Friday, but they were all okay. There was a lot of dust around."

"The police and Fire Service were quickly on the scene and stayed until about 11pm."

The area was cordoned off while the authorities made plans to assess the damage and to decide how safe the house is.

A Vale Council spokeswoman said this week that the family were safe and had been provided with temporary accommodation.

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MOO-VE OVER

'Live obstacle' on the road!

COMMUTERS travelling along the B4265 road near Cardiff Airport yesterday morning, June 29 were suddenly confronted by a 'live obstacle' - in the form of 15 loose cows!

A police spokesman said: "The cows were herded off the road and into a nearby field, and the local authority was informed."

Narrow road to make them slow down!

COUN Jeffrey James' recent letter titled 'Traffic in Rhoose', also referred to traffic in East Aberthaw, and appears to be in response to a letter sent to Miles Punter (Head of Visible Services, Vale Council) by myself on behalf of East Aberthaw Residents Committee, which was copied to Coun James.

Residents of East Aberthaw have been trying to get something done to calm traffic which speeds through our village (as confirmed by traffic surveys) and, in addition, to get a footpath at Station Terrace.

There is no footpath outside Station Terrace and so we are forced to walk in the road - this is hazardous when cars travel at 30 mph, but when cars are speeding past, it is very dangerous.

Residents of Station Terrace (including elderly people, children and families with babies and toddlers) regularly have to face this danger.

Initially, the council were going to provide a footpath but then they said that legal advice prevented them providing a footpath of less than 1.5m wide and, as the footpath would only be between 1 and 1.2m, they were unwilling to provide a footpath at all.

In my opinion, a footpath of 1m would be safer than no footpath at all.

Regarding the traffic calming, we have been informed that a 'gateway' entrance to the village will be implemented and, in my letter to Mr Punter, I was seeking clarification on this 'gateway'.

If Coun James is correct, the 'gateway' consists of new 30 mph signs with yellow backing and cutting back of the trees, so that these signs can actually be seen.

New signs have already been provided. The cutting back of trees to ensure that road signs are clearly visible should be done as a matter of course. In my opinion, to describe these two measures as a 'gateway' is an insult and not

Reader's view

something for the council to be proud of as a course of action on its part. The majority of the traffic travelling through East Aberthaw is local and drivers are already aware that the speed limit is 30 mph - but, for whatever reason, some choose to disregard this limit.

In so doing, they are endangering the lives of pedestrians and other road users and, in addition, affecting the quality of life of people living in the village.

What is required is something to physically slow down these drivers - such as a narrowing of the road at the entrances to the village.

In an ideal world, where people had respect for the law and showed care and consideration for others, 30 mph signs would be sufficient - but the actions of a few inconsiderate drivers mean that time and money has to be spent to force these drivers to slow down.

If you are one of these speeding drivers, I would ask that you adhere to the speed limit.

It is not just the lives of pedestrians and other road users that are at risk by your speeding, it is also the quality of life of the residents.

The noise and vibration generated by the speeding traffic is much greater than that generated by vehicles driving at 30 mph.

So even if there are no pedestrians or other traffic around, your speeding is still affecting the quality of life of the people whose houses you speed past at all hours of the day and night.

I am regularly woken by the noise of traffic speeding through at 5.30am.

The 30 mph stretch through East Aberthaw is about half a mile. If you adhere to the speed limit, this half mile will take one minute, if you speed through at 45 mph it takes 40 seconds.

Is your time so precious that you cannot spare 20 seconds, and in so doing seriously reduce your chances of killing someone, whilst improving the quality of people's lives?

Sarah Coleman,

Colcot school's open morning a success

COLCOT Primary School opened its doors on Wednesday, June 15 to friends, family and pets.

The open morning was a huge success and enjoyed by pupils, staff and parents.

The pupils were engaged in a variety of activities, showcasing the opportunities on offer at the school.

Parent governor Mike Fowler provided football skills sessions for the year-2 and year-6 pupils.

Year-5 pupils spent the morning cracking eggs and making tasty omelettes, the year-4 and year-1 pupils worked together studying minibeasts and other larger animals.

The children in year-4 were asked to bring in their pets and a very interesting selection of animals arrived at school - some large, some small, some hairy and some scaly!



ABOVE: Fun at the open day.

The reception and made at the school - the nursery classes enjoyed junior and infant adventure exploring the school nature trails, the shelters grounds finding more and newly decorated and mini beasts and making refurbished dining hall.

good use of their Headteacher Mrs Cule Outdoor Learning Areas. Year-3 had a creative port.

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LEFT:
Former Assembly Presiding Officer, Lord Dafydd Ellis Thomas and Headteacher Dylan Jones, are pictured with Claire Curtis, who helped to organise a raffle that raised a total of £1,690 for school funds.

School receives a £1,690 10th birthday present!

AS the 10th anniversary year of Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg draws to a close, a celebratory ball was held at St David's Hotel in Cardiff Bay.

The ball was attended

by parents and teachers, as well as many of the very first pupils to attend the school in 2000.

Parent Claire Curtis helped organised a raffle as part of the event, which her employers, Barclays, agreed to match £ for up to

£750. She said: "I am thrilled to say that the raffle at the ball raised £940 and Barclays Bank will match £750 of this, making a total of £1,690, which will go towards improving the facilities for pupils at the school."

"The ball was a won-

derful evening and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. I would like to thank the members of the school's PTA 'Cryf' for the time and effort they took into making the ball such a success".

Special guest at the ball was Lord Dafydd Ellis Thomas, former Presiding Officer of the Welsh Assembly

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THE Vale CCTV operation in the Vale of Glamorgan, working under the umbrella of the Safer Vale Partnership, assisted with eight arrests in the week ending June 26 at Barry.

It contacted the police on 42 occasions. On June 20, a male was arrested for alleged burglary on Holton Road and a female was arrested concerning shoplifting.

On June 21, one male was arrested

CCTV makes arrests

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Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Curig Newyddion/school news



Welsh champions!

Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Curig were crowned Welsh Book Quiz Champions 2011 last week at the Book Quiz finals, held in Aberystwyth.

The children, who had qualified through the regional heats in the Vale, had to read and discuss the contents of the book *Yr Allwedd Aur* (The Golden Key) and had to act out another book called *Ceffyl Rhyfel* (War Horse); 16 schools took part in the event from counties all over Wales.

Council to spend £1 million on road repairs in Vale

WORK is to start soon on a £1 million road surfacing and repairs scheme in the Vale.

The Vale Council's cabinet agreed to spend £1,439 following recent severe winters.

Recent severe winters have had a significant impact on the structure of the Vale's highways and this has been recognised by the council with this funding allocation.

Cabinet member for visible and building services, Coun Geoffrey Cox said: "The effect on our highways of successive cold winters over recent years is a national problem.

Unfortunately we have received no indication from the Welsh Government that they are to allocate any funding for councils in Wales during 2011-2012 to

address this problem. Therefore, as a council it was necessary for us to commit as much funding as possible to assist our residents and visitors in travelling safely through the Vale of Glamorgan.

"The comprehensive resurfacing plan for this financial year that I put forward to the council's cabinet was wholeheartedly accepted by all members."

"Resurfacing work is due to commence at the end of this month and works will continue throughout the Vale during the summer.

Residents wishing to view the plan for this year will be able to do so on the council's website, www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk or receive details of the plan from our contact centre on 01446 700111".

Police crackdown on beach crime

POLICE in the Vale are launching a summertime operation focussing on preventing anti-social behaviour and car crime in the region's popular beauty spots.

of the Vale's neighbourhood policing team, said: "We have launched Operation Protein which will run right through the summer holidays to ensure we keep the area's popular beauty spots safe for everyone to enjoy.

"We will operate a high profile policing presence across the area, patrolling car parks and beaches in order to prevent and detect any offences."

The group that discussed a book and the group that acted it out were given outstanding critique – the discussion group scoring an unbelievable 57 out of 60 marks.

Year-6 teacher Mr Mac had coached the dramatic presentation group and the discussion group were supported by Foundation Phase Leader Mrs Marged Cross.

Mrs Cross said: "This is a wonderful achievement for the school, to become national champions is a fitting end to the year.

"The children were genuinely enthused by the book and our only problem was to stop them talking about it!"

Year-6 pupil Elen Owen, who was the only pupil in both groups said: "I was really nervous acting on the theatre stage at Aberystwyth, but discussing the book was fun. It was close at the end, but we're so happy to have won because Mr Mac had promised us a stop at McDonalds on the way home!"

Fe iwydodd Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Curig i ennill PenCambriaeth y Cwrs Llyfrau 2011. Aeth grwp blant ac athrawon yr holl ffjordd i Aberystwyth i gystadlu.

Ar ôl darllen Yr Allwedd Aur cafydwyd trafodaeth frwd, o ganlyniad, derbyniad y grwp sgôr anhygoel o 57 marc allan o 60. Fe iactiodd grwp arall o blant ddadansoddiad o'r llyfr Y Ceffyl Rhyfel.

Cafodd y beirniad eu syrfaid â safon y drafodaeth a'r actio. Diolch i Mr Mac a Mrs Cross am eu hyfforddi.

Soniodd Elen Owen, disgylb o flwyddyn 6 am ei nerfusrwydd: "Roedd pawb mor nerfus ar y llwyfan cyn cychwyn, ond yna unwaith inni ddechrau roedd popeth yn iawn.

"Roedd yna ddau beth gwych am ein diwrnod; un oedd ennill a'r llall oedd derbyn McDonalds oddiwrth Mr Mac!"

Getting chilled out and acoustic at St Donats

I WOULD just like to let GEM readers know that last night (June 25) I attended the 2506 acoustic showcase in Tythe Barn in St Donats arts centre.

the incredible talents of Aled Sion Williams and Grace Hartrey, who are about to release their debut material; Steve Collins, a Llantwit resident currently working on his second album, and also the award-winning Lowri Evans, who headlined the show.

All artists provided great entertainment on a very chilled out, enjoyable and highly recommendable evening. On a night that demonstrated Welsh musical talent, it was clear that the level of talent that is on our doorsteps is truly amazing.

Rhys James (age 15), Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg.

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White Farm: 'Time council realised pent-up frustrations in community'

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Coun Wright added: "I witness each day, and especially during the rush hour, the problems trying to access Colcot Road from Whitewell Road, problems which will be made worse by this development."

"I am fully aware that we are destroying what little green-belt there is available in our community and the social problems associated with increased density of housing."

She added: "I want to make my position absolutely clear on this issue: because of the deep-rooted concerns of existing residents, and serious issues about flooding, density and access I cannot, and will not, support this motion and shall be voting whole-heartedly against it."

FUTURE

Coun Nick Hodges said that there was a general consensus by people locally that at some stage in the future houses would be built at White Farm, but urged Persimmon Homes not to appeal – but instead to get round the table with Vale planners to come up with a realistic proposal in terms of numbers of houses.

"What is required is a smaller more compact

scheme. People felt they were squeezing the houses in and were worried about things like the proximity of the development to the church."

Dennis Harkus of FocusBARRY said that the day of the meeting was "a good day for Barry" and "a wake-up call to the managers of the planning process in the Vale Council".

He explained: "Despite the confusing agenda relating to the proposed Sainsbury's store, councillors robustly voted to reject the planning application."

"But the vote on White Farm was closer and highlighted the differing attitudes from councillors representing urban wards to those representing rural parts of the Vale."

"The White Farm report significantly differed from council policy on the area for housing, the density and the land for open space."

"Planning officials seemed to justify their conflicting position by saying they thought the scheme was 'reasonable' without clearly identifying the factors to support such a policy change."

"Having met all of their requirements, including those dealing with drainage, public

Dinas Powys and Penarth, thought otherwise and voted against the application."

Mr Harkus said: "The concern of the Barry community about the proposals for White Farm has been evident for the past 25 years, with little recognition from decision-takers."

"It is time for the council to realise the pent-up frustration within the community about some decisions they make and in the way they are made."

REFUSAL

Steve Williams, the managing director of Persimmon Homes - South East Wales, said the company would examine the reasons for refusal and then decide on what course of action to take.

"Clearly, we are dis-

apointed that members

of the planning

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appear to be minded

to refuse our reserved

matters application at

White Farm."

"It has been several years since the original planning permission was granted and throughout that time, we have worked hard to produce a development which meets all of the council's demands."

"Having met all of

their requirements,

including those dealing

with drainage, public

open space and highways; it's hard to imagine what real and substantive reasons can be found to justify a refusal. Nevertheless, we'll wait to see their grounds for that refusal and then decide what course of action to take."

The Vale Council explained that because the matter relating to White Farm was still live and needed a further report, it would be inappropriate to comment at this stage.



ABOVE: White Farm protesters lobbied Vale councillors as they arrived for the planning meeting at the Civic Offices in Barry last Thursday.

Penarth Aviation Society

SINCE 1974, Mr John Wilmot, a former merchant seaman has been taking photographs of every type of aircraft that landed at the Cardiff airport, giving him a huge nostalgic archive from which he will be showing 102 slides at the next meeting of Penarth Aviation Society.

Mr Wilmot's illustrated talk, Cardiff International Airport's name has changed several times over the years from RAF Rhoose, when it was

a training ground for RAF spitfire pilots, to Glamorgan (Rhoose) Airport, to Cardiff-Wales Airport to Cardiff International Airport, and now just Cardiff Airport.

From it have flown the world's airlines, many of which no longer exist, aircraft varying from a tiger moth, to Concorde and 747 jumbo jets.

Penarth Aviation Society meets at the Penarth Conservative Club at 7.45pm on the first Friday of every month. Visitors are welcome.

Further information from the honorary secretary David Ephraim, on 01446 721321.

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RIGHT:
Members of Barry Amateur Radio Society and Friends of St Lawrence with the Italian Flag in honour of Guglielmo Marconi and his legacy; from left, James Jenkins, Peter Bird, Phil King, Revd Margaret Stark, Glyn Jones and a young enthusiast, and Ken Eaton.



Flower Festival with a Marconi theme at Lavernock Point



Karen Jones, Lead Fundraiser at Holme Tower, thanking the Revd Margaret Stark and Maureen Kelly Owen from the Friends of St Lawrence.

LAST week, The Friends of the medieval listed church building of St Lawrence at Lavernock Point, on the coast between Penarth and Sully, held a Flower Festival with the theme 'Communications'.

The building was open for two days and Barry Amateur Radio Society were invited by The Friends to take part. They mounted a fascinating and informative exhibition showing the Marconi connection

with this historic part of the South Wales Coast and the huge significance of the first wireless message across water from Flat Holm to Lavernock Point Farm in 1897.

Visitors made donations to the restoration fund for the building and also gave generously to Marie Curie Cancer Care (Holme Tower Hospice) totalling £128.77.

MP for the Vale Alun Cairns is backing the campaign asking the Welsh Government to introduce a right to respite for carers. Ministers in Cardiff are currently considering their response to a consultation on the future of respite care.

TV presenter Angela Rippon is the high profile supporter of Carers Week (June 13-19) and recognising the contribution made by those who provide unpaid care for someone who is ill, frail or disabled.

Mr Cairns said: "Hundreds of people in the Vale sacrifice not

only their time, but also their money and their health in order to care for a loved one. Together, they save this country an incredible £119 billion every year.

"They deserve to be recognised for their contribution to both our local community and to wider society.

"I took part in Carers' Week to show my respect and appreciation for our carers. I also wanted to let them know that there are services out there to help them.

"Caring can be incredibly mentally and physically demanding. It's important that carers know that they don't have to struggle on alone."



Glamorgan GEM

Food for Thought

Barry's Glenbrook Inn has recipe to be a real winner

THE Glenbrook Inn Free House and Restaurant on Dobbins Road in Barry has set itself the challenge of producing "pub classic dishes to a high standard at affordable prices" in its role as a community public house.

Father and son Arthur and Liam O'Leary own both The Glenbrook Free House and The Cross Inn at Llanblethian, and Liam explained: "Our aim at The Glenbrook is to provide high quality home made food with fresh local produce.

"Our main focus is on traditional British food, but also with a choice of continental courses too."

As a statement of its intent, The Glenbrook recruited a former Young Welsh Chef of the Year, Joseph Jones, who was presented with the title by the Welsh Culinary Association in 2008.

In the light, modern dining area, my wife and I enjoyed a three-course meal; the starters were 'garlic mushrooms in a cream sauce' and 'prawn cocktail'.



The Glenbrook Inn Free House and Restaurant situated on Dobbins Road, just off Barry Dock Link Road.

My wife found the garlic mushrooms delicious, and were complemented by the cream sauce and the serving was generous.

I enjoy prawns, so naturally I chose the 'prawn cocktail', which was again a generous portion, sitting on a bed of mixed salad, with a marie rose dressing. The combination had a real zing to it which I thoroughly enjoyed.

We were impressed at how reasonable the starters were at £2.95 each – you couldn't go wrong.

For the main course, my wife selected a continental dish, a home

made lasagne with a rich tomato and basil sauce, and a rich cheese topping. My wife thought it was a good, deep lasagna with lots of flavour, and very well presented.

It was served with a side salad and a portion of French fries and garlic bread, which she enjoyed.

Normally, I like to have fish as a main course, but after a long day, I felt like something more substantial and plumped for the 'surf and turf' dish from the specials board, which is changed twice a week at The Glenbrook.

It was a 5oz rump steak, cooked medium rare. It was juicy and tender, and accompanied by scampi, onion rings and home made French fries.

It was very well cooked and excellent value for money at £9.25; my wife's lasagne ran to £8.45.

To conclude the three courses, my wife chose 'home-made lemon cheesecake' as her dessert. This was triumph – light and creamy with a nice lemony tang to it! Delicious!

Normally, I like to go for cheesecake, but because my wife had

REVIEW by TIM CHAPMAN

already chosen that, in the interests of variety I decided to try the 'chocolate brownie'. It was topped with a velvet smooth chocolate sauce (death by chocolate, ladies beware of your waistline!).

Among the other home made desserts were treacle pudding or chunky apple pie – the desserts come with a choice of custard, cream or ice-cream.

The desserts are all priced at £2.95, offering exceptional value.

The specials board for main courses, aside from the main menu, included dishes such as 10oz chargrilled rump steak, spaghetti bolognese and home baked ham.

My wife had two glasses of D'Avento Pino Grigio to accompany her meal which was crisp and refreshing,

shandy. Including the drinks, the three course meal cost just £40. At £20 a head, the evening was true value for money.

The friendly service provided by Kayleigh-Jay Dyke was first class.

The Glenbrook is a free house which means it has a wide choice of beers, and in its mission to be a community pub has an enclosed garden with play facilities for children, and it hosts regular barbecues.

Sunday lunch is popular not just with locals, but also with people popping in from the valleys on their way to Barry Island in the summer.

At a time when 'high standard food at affordable prices' sifts out the front-runners from the also rans, The Glenbrook Inn proves a real winner.

Llanerch Vineyard's busy cookery school

THE Llanerch Vineyard Cookery School has been kept busy since its opening and is expecting even more visitors when the vineyard opens soon.

Angela Gray will launch her Saturday Morning Kitchen, which is completely free, offering visitors some great recipe ideas, and they can then visit the new vineyard café to enjoy two of her dishes in the wonderful surroundings at Llanerch, Hensol, Vale of Glamorgan. This event will be free of charge.

A spokesperson said: "Also available this summer are cookstart lessons for teenagers. If you have a budding

junior chef at home or your offspring is about to fly the nest and can't boil an egg, send them to the Llanerch Vineyard Cookery School where they will gain confidence and become inspired.

"They will learn important culinary skills that will last a lifetime, including all about nutrition and seasonality, whilst having lots of fun in our fabulously equipped kitchens. A must for all Welsh food lovers!"

"Take this opportunity and visit us at the newly-renovated Llanerch Vineyard – and don't forget to book your place at the next Lunch Club on Thursday, July 7 at 11am."

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Company sees 'rare opportunity' at Bosch

AN engineering company from Gloucestershire has bought the Bosch site in Miskin and says one of the reasons is because of the skills offered by local Welsh workers.

Renishaw plc which is experiencing increased demand for its healthcare and measuring products says it needs additional capacity for "anticipated business growth".

Renishaw exchanged contracts to acquire the manufacturing site last Friday (June 24).

The company is already in discussions with Stroud District Council to extend its HQ – now it wants to expand into the Vale on the cusp of the M4.

Its chairman and chief

executive, Sir David McMurry said: "This is a rare opportunity to acquire a high quality manufacturing facility in a location that has excellent transport links and a local population with skills base relevant to our business."

The Vale MP, Alun Cairns, said he was delighted by the arrival of Renishaw.

"This is excellent news for the Vale and the wider economy. I have spoken to the chief executive and am excited about their plans.

"I have also met with the MP where they have their HQ in Gloucestershire. He spoke extremely highly about the way they operate, the way they work with staff and in how they commit to apprentices and training."

AdiZone to be built on Island

AN adiZone looks set to be built on a vacant area of ground on Paget Road, after Vale councillors gave it the go-ahead at a planning meeting.

Olympic Committee that an historic agreement had been reached for a GB football team – a claim vehemently rejected by the Football Association of Wales.

The adiZone would have the Olympic five rings symbol stamped on the floor of it, and there would also be room for an advertisement from a sporting footwear manufacturer.

Local businessman, Brian Osborne, who campaigned against the adiZone said: "An outdoor activity area has the potential to be good, but my worry is that it is to be built in the wrong place."

"It will do nothing to regenerate the area, tourism or employment prospects. Using taxpayers' money from the regeneration fund to pay for it is inappropriate."

"I'm disappointed that the council's planning committee has approved the parks department's knee-jerk idea to build an outdoor gymnasium in this popular corner of the Island."

"There were several objections from local residents, traders, The Athletic Club and the South Wales Police, yet councillors have ignored them."

Phil Beaman of the Vale Council, stated: "The committee's approval includes the review and installation of CCTV which will provide monitoring of the area."

Coun Hodges said there were other, better locations for an adiZone to be built in the town. He added, however, that he wasn't best disposed towards a facility that was a "glorified advert for the Olympics" following the announcement by the British

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Driver may have fallen asleep on M4

Coroner records accidental verdicts on 3 victims

A loving dad fell asleep at the wheel, killing three of his family on the way back from a sunshine holiday – leaving his baby grandson an orphan, an inquest heard on Monday, June 27.

Stephen Padden, 56, was suspected to be suffering from a sleep disorder when he nodded off just 10 miles from their Porthcawl home on their 200-mile journey.

The father-of-three was driving from Gatwick Airport after a surfing holiday in Morocco when he crashed off the M4 near Cardiff.

Retired BT engineer Mr Padden was killed along with his son Tom, 20, and partner Louise Evans, 23.

Mr Padden's wife Suzanne, 51, miraculously survived the crash – along with her grandson Logan, aged six months, who was strapped into a car seat.

Logan suffered only a minor cut to the face but was left an orphan too young to remember his mother and father.

The inquest heard the three who died were not wearing seatbelts when the Peugeot 406 hit a crash barrier on the M4 near junction 33.

Nursing manager Mrs Padden told the hearing how she had booked afternoon flights back from Morocco to avoid her husband driving late at night.

But the flight was delayed for five hours and the family landed at Gatwick at 7.45pm before setting off on the four-hour drive back to Wales.

Mrs Padden said: "As a qualified nurse, I believed that Stephen had some sort of sleep disorder.

"I booked the afternoon flight to avoid him driving at night. But because of the delay we didn't arrive until the evening."

"I can't be sure that made Stephen anymore tired but it certainly didn't help."

Mrs Padden said her husband "was not himself".

during the holiday and said warfarin tablets he was taking for deep vein thrombosis were giving him flushes.

She told the inquest how they stopped for a meal and coffee at a service station en route.

She said: "I asked Stephen if he wanted me to drive but he said he was fine after the coffee.

"I fell asleep and the next thing I remember the car was rolling and there were loud bangs. It felt like a dream.

"My first reaction was for the baby but I could see he was in his car seat. To my horror no-one else was in the car.

"I was screaming. I could see that Tom was lying in the road and I could tell he was critically injured.

"Further down I could see two bodies – they were not moving and I presumed they were dead."

She told how Stephen would stop breathing for 12-14 seconds at a time when he was asleep before taking a "deep breath".

Mrs Padden said: "I kept on to him to see his doctor if there was a problem. If he went to the doctor he did not follow up any advice."

The inquest heard the family GP said Stephen had not been treated for sleep disorder.

Mrs Padden was a wearing a seatbelt but the other three members of her family had been thrown out of the car in the crash just before midnight on January 17 of this year.

The inquest heard 999 crews arrived to pronounce Stephen and Louise dead. Tom died the next morning in hospital.

Drivers on the M4 told how the Peugeot – with two distinctive surfboards on the roof – "zoomed" past them.

Driven Gemma Beveridge, 23, told the hearing she was worried about the way it was being driven in

"spurts" – going fast, then slowing down and wavering between lanes.

She said: "I was not sure if it was boy racers or if the driver had fallen asleep at the wheel.

"I remember thinking what on earth was he doing. I saw him hit the barrier and there were sparks as the car went up in the air."

Miss Beveridge stopped to help – and was handed six-month-old baby Logan by distraught Mrs Padden at the roadside.

Pc Philip Painting investigated the crash and said: "If they had their seatbelts on, they would have remained in the vehicle and their injuries would have been significantly reduced."

The surfing-mad family, of Porthcawl, had been on a week's holiday to Morocco.

Tom was a former Welsh junior surfing champion and hoped to make a living out of it.

The family had posed for happy family photographs with Logan shortly before they flew home.

Cardiff coroner Miss Mary Hassell said: "Stephen's driving was erratic. He was braking and speeding up. He didn't apply the brakes at the time of the accident."

"It seems to me extremely likely that Stephen fell asleep at the wheel and then, to compound that, they were not wearing their seatbelts."

She recorded three verdicts of accidental death.

A statement from the family said: "Louise, Thomas and Stephen passed away as a result of a tragic accident. Their death has left a huge void in the lives of so many, it has left a young child without parents and grandfather."

"All family members would like to thank everyone for their support."

"Tom had taken to being a father as he did everything else in life, without fear and with total conviction."

"He had been a wonderful father and we watched him become a man."

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Strawberry tea
THE annual strawberry tea and fair will be held at Plas Llanmihangel, on Sunday, July 3, at 3pm. There will be tours of the house for a small fee; stalls, teas.

All proceeds in aid of Llanmihangel Church.

Coffee time

THE Coffee Lounge is open every Monday (except Bank Holidays) morning, from 10am-12.30pm at The Old Manse, Bethel Baptist Church, Llantwit Major. Councillor's surgery

BARRY Town councillor Claire Curtis will be holding a surgery for residents of Dyfan ward on Saturday, July 2, at the Buttrills Community Centre, at 11am-12pm.

Alzheimer's awareness

ALZHEIMER'S Society Bridgend and District is encouraging people to "get talking about dementia" this Dementia Awareness Week (July 3-9).

Residents are invited to attend a tea party on Wednesday July 6, where there will be an opportunity to get information about how to be

a friend to someone with dementia.

It will be held at The Hi-Tide Inn, Porthcawl where representatives of the Society will be on hand to give information and advice from 2pm.

Valeways walk

MONDAY, July 4, 7pm, 'views and woods' walk starts at St Andrew's Church, Andrew Major.

Penarth festival

ST AUGUSTINE'S Church in Penarth holds its annual organ festival and exhibition of bridal gowns, from July 6-10.

July 6, at 7.30pm: Organ duets by Robert Court and Jeffrey Howard. July 7, at 1pm, Robert Court, cello Cathrin Harrinn; July 8, at 1pm, organ Catherine Etherington (organist at Tewkesbury Abbey). July 10, at 3pm, organ Thomas Trotter.

On Saturday, July 11, in the Parish Hall, annual hobbies exhibition at 11am-4pm.

Full details on 02920 703547.

Bible celebration

BARRY is taking part in world-wide celebrations marking the 400th anniversary of

the King James Bible, with an exhibition in the Church of St next month.

The exhibition includes 18th century bibles from a Barry family – one in the English language and the other in Welsh.

Admission to the exhibition is free and there will be free copies of the Gospels for all visitors.

There will also be a special welcome for children and youth groups. Contact Father Robert Parrish on 01446 735943.

The exhibition is open on July 7 and July 14, from 6pm-8pm; July 8 from 10am-2pm; July 9 and July 16 (11am-1pm) and Sunday mornings, immediately after the Sunday morning service, from 11am-12noon.

School fair

ALL SAINTS Church in Wales Primary School, Cwm Talwg, is holding a summer fair, at 3.30pm on Friday, July 8; stalls, games, demonstrations, refreshments.

Coffee morning

ON July 9, at 10am, Albert Road Methodist Church (Penarth) is holding a coffee morning and table-top sale.

Various stalls, cakes, books, bric-a-brac and plants, plus a raffle. All

proceeds towards church funds.

Scout jumble sale

1ST DINAS POWYS SCOUT Group jumble sale is being held at 1.30pm, on Saturday, July 9, at the Scout Hall, Highwallis Road, Dinas Powys.

Admission 50p, everybody welcome.

Tax help for elderly

TAX Help for Older People is holding an advice session at Pencoed Library, on Tuesday, July 12.

To book an appointment, telephone 0845 601 3321.

Weavers' talk

THE Glamorgan Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers meets on July 13, in the Old School, Sully, at 7.30 pm, with a talk 'From Flax to Linen and beyond' by Riitta Sinnkonnen-Davies.

For further details ring Kirsten Gable 01443 650336 or e-mail kirstengable@hotmail.co.uk or Welshkirsten on ravelry.

RADYR garden PRIZEWINNING 6 Windsor Avenue, Radyr, will be open to the public on July 17, from 2pm-6pm; entry £3.

Win some family fun In the Night Garden Live at Bute Park!

WE have an amazing once-in-a-lifetime treat for little ones...Not only have we got family tickets to see *In the Night Garden Live*, but the two lucky winners will meet Igglepiggle and friends on stage after the show at Bute Park in Cardiff on Saturday, July 16, at 1pm!

Three runners-up will receive a family ticket each to see an earlier show on Monday, July 11, at 3.15pm.

Having already wowed fans in 2010, *In the Night Garden Live* is back on the road again and will be at Bute Park from July 9-23.

This theatre spectacular is hosted in a custom-made, all-

weather inflatable showdome, which has been especially designed with the whole family in mind.

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At *In the Night Garden Live*, children and parents see the much-loved characters Igglepiggle, Upsy Daisy and friends in a live event.

The characters are brought to life with full-size costumes, enchanting music, magical puppets and panoramic projections, creating an immersive theatrical experience to make audiences feel they are actually entering the magical

world of *In the Night Garden*. Tickets and info can be found on www.nightgardenlive.com or call the ticket hotline on 0844 581 1251.

A family ticket is for four people, minimum one adult. No cash alternatives, travel or accommodation provided. The tickets are non-transferrable.

• To have a chance to win, answer the following question Q: WHAT COLOUR IS IGGLEPIGGLE'S BLANKET?

Please send your answer by email to gemsales@tindlenews.co.uk to arrive by Wednesday, July 6.

No correspondence will be entered into and normal competition rules apply.

Music and nostalgia filled the evening air at Dyffryn midsummer music concert

IN perfect weather, the stirring sound of the popular South Wales Police Band filled the air at the annual midsummer music concert in Dyffryn Gardens, organised by the St John Council for the Vale of Glamorgan.

The music varied from Glenn Miller to Andrew Lloyd Webber to Edward Elgar, and delighted the capacity audience.

It would be difficult to pick out individual items but mention must be made of the nostalgic notes of the cornet solo by WPC Liam Davies playing Nat King Cole's favourite, 'When I Fall In Love'.

As this was her first performance after returning from maternity leave, perhaps it had a hidden meaning!

Also deserving of mention was the superb flugel horn solo by PC Tim Davies in the 'Post Horn Gallop'.

The band then played the evening hymn as the union flag was ceremoniously lowered and the sun slowly set, and the Lord Lieutenant, Dr Peter Beck, took the salute.

As the band marched off to the rousing tune of 'Men of Harlech'. The applause of the audience signified their appreciation of a perfect evening.

Without doubt, it was their finest performance ever, and this is my swansong as organiser, it was particularly pleasing.

Profits are well over £2,000, which will be allocated to the St John Ambulance Brigade, who carry out so many first aid activities in the Vale.

BASIL WATKINS

Barn dance to raise funds

A BARN dance with The Pluck and Squeeze Band will take place in Cowbridge Town Hall, on July 9, to help raise funds for local girl Emma Gooding's planned visit to Nicaragua.

She is joining 'Nueva Vida' or New Life – an ongoing project in Jinotepe, which works with some of the most vulnerable women in society, providing them with education, skills and hope for the future.

Emma will work there from August to June 2012.

Tickets from Sorrento and Davies Newsagents. For more information call 01446 771436, or email e.l.c.gooding@hotmail.co.uk

Do you have an event you want to publicise? email us at: gemeditorial@tindlenews.co.uk

TOY AND TRAIN SALE IN PENARTH

THE Cardiff Toy and Train sale is being held this Saturday, July 2, at the Penarth Leisure Centre.

The show opens at 10.30am and continues until 3pm.

Organiser Chris Dyer said this week: "We will have one more Cardiff show this year, in October and will then be back next year."

"Penarth complements our existing three shows each year at Barry Leisure Centre, and has really taken off with the public."

He added: "All the famous names such as Dinky, Corgi, Matchbox, EFE, Hornby, Lima, Wrenn, Bachmann and many others will strongly feature and there really will be 'something for everyone' available."

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FORGET THE GUYS FROM THE HANGOVER...

These Bridesmaids are a bawdy and hilarious bunch!

WHILE a comedy revolution has taken place over the last few years, spear-headed by director and producer Judd Apatow, it seems that only the boys can have fun.

The likes of *The 40-Year-Old Virgin*, *The Hangover*, *Anchorman* et al have been very much skewed towards the male demographic, with nary a concern for a female audience fed the crumbs of *Sex and the City*.

It is refreshing, then, to see a comedy ready top mix with the boys as *Bridesmaids* leaps into view. Starring Kristen Wiig, the film tells the story of Annie (Wiig) who is maid of honour at her friend's wedding and has to negotiate the tricky minefield of etiquette and responsibilities, all the while vying with Helen (Rose Byrne) for the affections of her friend, as the wedding looms ever closer...

Having been a mainstay of US TV show *Saturday Night Live*,

Kristen Wiig has been slowly building up her big screen resume with the likes of *Walk Hard*, *Whip It* and *Paul*.

However, after *Bridesmaids*, Wiig is definitely heading to the big time, writing and starring in a bawdy comedy that not only smashes your funny bone to smithereens, but does so in a way that makes it a far more appealing offering than your common female-propelled comedy.

If you thought the guys from *The Hangover Part II* had dibs on being the summer's lewdest group, then they are pushed by this gang of bridesmaids, the film offering some highly amusing set-pieces, made all the more amusing by the gender of the protagonists.

Wiig and co-writer Annie Mumolo certainly don't shy away from the cruder laughs (a post-food poisoning dress fitting claiming the prize of most extreme laugh) but, similarly, they marry it up with characters who are engaging, likeable and all too familiar.

Like the best come-

SCREEN TALK



by GARETH JAMIESON

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dies, Wiig and Mumolo realise that while they can get the laughs, they need to marry it up with characters that resonate, and they do this with ease, the performances that accompany them well tuned.

Wiig herself shows both a fine set of comedic chops and a brittle vulnerability as the maid of honour being displaced by an outsider, and she offers

a strong performance that highlights just how good an actress she is.

While Rose Byrne hits the right notes as the spotlight-stealing Helen, making her a sly and mischievous character without making her downright evil, and Maya Rudolph makes an excellent foil for Wiig as the soon-to-be-married, it is Melissa McCarthy who is the most memorable.

Channeling a Zach Galifianakis-esque bent as the brother of the groom, she makes the character of Megan the standout with her peculiar ways and vulgar mannerisms.

While men don't particularly get short shrift they are the least-well sketched characters; *Mad Men*'s Jon Hamm does a delicious cameo as Annie's 'friend' which raises laughs but feels a little too forced, while Chris O'Dowd's state trooper makes a solid love interest but fails to inject any crackle.

With director Paul Feig keeping a tight leash, he allows the comedy to flow but without ever trying to force the humour, while

framing several comedic set-pieces with style, bringing the best out of the talented cast.

While it predictably undergoes a little sag in the middle section, cutting out some amusing characters (Wendi McLendon-Covey and Ellie Kemper suffering), it strengthens come the conclusion where it manages to get the right mixture of laughs and emotion.

Despite the name, these *Bridesmaids* won't finish in second place, the film showing that this bawdy comedy lark isn't just the sole preserve of those with testosterone.

VERDICT: A lewd and crude comedy that has just as much heart, *Bridesmaids* is a laugh riot that will appeal to all sexes. With a clever script and a raft of quality turns, these *Bridesmaids* catch the bouquet and run with it in an excellent offering. Highly recommended.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Knocked Up*, *The Hangover*, *The 40-Year-Old Virgin*.

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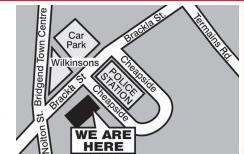
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ADRIFT ON THE OCEAN – BARRY'S MARITIME HERO

Dr Jonathan Hicks tells the story of a forgotten Barry hero

FOR several years now, a researcher associated with the Merchant Navy Association (Wales) Barry branch has worked with relatives of Master Mariner Cecil Foster to renovate his grave in Barry's Merthyr Dafydd Cemetery.

Donations received from businesses and organisations have ensured the commission of the work to restore this heroic man's grave. Further pledges from local people would be appreciated to continue this tribute.

Cecil Foster was employed by the Hain Steamer Company. The company's offices were in St Ives, Cornwall and the company gave preference to local boys wishing to make a career at sea; this policy resulted in a large number of Master Mariners who were respected in all the major ports of the world.

On June 4, 1923, the Hain Line steamer *Trevessa*, loaded with zinc concentrates and on route from Fremantle, Australia to

Durban in South Africa, sank very quickly in the southern Indian Ocean during a violent storm.

The zinc concentrates were loaded in the form of a kind of slime which water could not penetrate. The sounding rod could not detect water in the holds nor could the bilge pumps reach it.

Engineers started to cut off the heads of the rivets in the collision bulkhead to allow the water to escape into the forepeak where the pumps could reach it.

However, the bulk-head began to bulge and crack and they were forced to give up the attempt.

Water was pouring over the bows while mountainous waves pounded the vessel. When the ship was finally abandoned she was floating with her forward bulwark rail level with the water.

The 44 crew members, some not even properly dressed, such had been the speed of the sinking, scrambled into two 26-foot lifeboats and the Captain, Cecil Foster, decided to make for Rodriguez Island some 1,700 miles away.

With no compass and only enough water for

seven pints per man, 550 biscuits and two cases of condensed milk, they were immediately put on strict rations.

The boats soon became separated and in the soaring heat of the tropics, some men succumbed to drinking salt water, which caused them to become delirious and their deaths followed quickly afterwards.

With no wind at times the men had to row, which aggravated not only their swollen hands and feet but also their bodies, which were suffering from extensive salt-water boils.

It was only by perfect discipline and obedience to the captain's orders that they stuck together and on the 23rd day, one boat landed on the island of Rodriguez, and three days later the second boat, having missed the island, landed at Bel-Ombre, Mauritius; a total of 34 men survived.

On the second boat, the engineer had fallen overboard during rough weather and another crewman died two hours before land was sighted.

The survivors in this boat were so exhausted



A contemporary illustration

they had to be carried ashore, and the chief cook died soon after arrival.

In Lelam Church, close to St Ives, is a stained glass window of St Christopher dedicated to the memory of Harry Sparks, who perished on June 23, 1923, during the long voyage.

A monument to the crew of the *Trevessa* was erected on Bel-Ombre and on the anniversary of their landing on Mauritius *Trevessa* Day was celebrated, which has now become The Seafarers Day.

The Master Mariner and his wife Minnie were received by the King at Buckingham Palace, following what the majority of the



Cecil Foster

national, local and worldwide newspapers commented on at the time as one of the most thrilling sea stories ever told.

They described Captain Foster's exploit as amazing. *The Daily Telegraph* wrote: "We may think with pride that our British sailors can match in daring, resolution, and loyalty those who won for their flag the realm of the circling sea".

Once described as 'The Great Adventure that will live in memory the world over', the story of the *Trevessa* was one of the most stirring sea dramas of the times. Foster's prior knowledge of shipwreck and survival during the Great War of the previous decade ensured the survival in peacetime of most of his crew.

due to the fact that he was ordered to appear before a Board of Trade Enquiry and, according to a relative, this experience broke him.



The SS Trevessa

Recent information suggests that Minnie's father was the chief engineer aboard the town's own paddle steamer, the *PS Barry*.

Footage of the survivors of the *Trevessa* sinking can be found on-line on the Pathé News site. One of the survivors was also a local man – Frank James of Dock Road in Penarth.

Such an outstanding achievement and dangerous adventure should never be forgotten and Barry should remember one of her own – Master Mariner Cecil Foster, a true hero of Barry.

Information regarding pledges and donations can be received by emailing Keith@her-namewas.sss@gmail.com or via officers of the Merchant Navy Association (Wales) Barry Branch.

Jonathan Hicks's new crime novel 'The Dead of Mametz' is available now through book-sellers or Amazon.

PUPILS AT ALL SAINTS SCHOOL SET UP THE 'ROUND THE WORLD RESTAURANT'!

THERE was a truly international flavour to the learning at All Saints Church in Wales Primary School last week when pupils from years 5 and 6 teamed up for a Global Citizenship project.

Year-6 teacher, Sue Thomas, gave the children a free hand and each group chose a country to study. Their project culminated in the creation of a 'Round the World Restaurant', where each group prepared and served up traditional food from their chosen country in a representative setting.

Pupils from year-1 were invited to the restaurant to sample the cuisine and learn about the countries. Other classes were then invited to sample the culinary delights.

The atmosphere was fantastic, with music, flags, decorations and artefacts enhancing every inch of the room and the 'Restaurateurs' dressed in traditional costume.

Teacher Mrs Thomas was delighted with the creativity and enthusiasm displayed by the pupils and everyone had a great afternoon in support of the restoration fund; to which over £700 was added by our summer evening's entertainment.



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Proclamation of the National Eisteddfod is made in Barry, and in line with tradition...

THE proclamation of the National Eisteddfod of Wales, to be held in the Vale next year, took place in Barry on Saturday, June 25.

According to tradition, the intention to stage the Eisteddfod must be announced at least one year and a day before the actual event. It was all in good time, as the National Eisteddfod is scheduled to take place at Llandow in August 2012.

The traditional procession started at 2pm in King's Square and the proclamation ceremony took place at 3pm in Gladstone Gardens.

The Gorsedd of the Bards, along with representatives from local schools, institutions and societies, marched through the town centre to the acclaim of local people excited that Wales' most prestigious cultural event is coming to the Vale.

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MIKE WILCOCK



Sharpshooter Oliver is cadet champion...



CADET Sergeant Oliver Wood, of Barry Detachment, Dyfed and Glamorgan Army Cadet Force, shot his way to victory at the annual 160

(Wales) Brigade Cadet Skill At Arms Meeting.

Oliver (second from left, above) fielded the light support weapon as part of the team from Dyfed and Glamorgan

ACF, which stormed to victory in this year's CADSAM competition for cadets across Wales.

Oliver and his team were awarded trophies for the electronic target range match, the LSW match, the bullseye match, and had six of the top 12 shooting scores in Wales – including the champion shot – and best individual score. They were also named 'best team' and retained the coveted title of Welsh champions.

CREAM TEA

Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, Methodist Lane, Llantwit Major, is holding an afternoon cream tea in aid of church funds at the church hall, this Saturday, July 2, from 2pm-4pm. Admission £4. Tickets from 01446 793757 or pay at the door. Everyone welcome.

Family photo brought back war memories

SOME time ago, you published an article by Dr Jonathan Hicks in which there was a photo of the Smith family who were all wounded in World War One.

The lady in the front is my grandmother, Eliza, and seated with her is my grandfather William (Bill), who was foreman gasfitter at the old town gasworks for 43 years.

Standing on the left is my father Wilfred John Smith, who also worked in the gasworks all his life.

The other soldier on the right is my uncle Charles John Smith, but I cannot remember if he worked before he joined up.

My grandfather was in the Royal Engineers and was at Auhnoye when the Armistice was signed.

My father joined the Civil Service Rifles and then transferred to the Rifle Brigade, London Regiment.

He was wounded several times, as reported, before being discharged on a pension with a lump of shrapnel in his leg which he carried with some pain to his dying day, sometimes in considerable pain.

On returning home he was wearing a silver brooch with the inscription 'For Valour'. I

understand this would show people he was not a person who would not fight for his country otherwise jeers and white feathers would come his way.

Funnily enough, I can find no reference in his records of him serving in the Civil Service Rifles, although I have several photos of him in different uniforms with different cap badges which I have authenticated.

My uncle Charles, who was in the Kings Royal Rifles, Manchester Regiment, was gassed, suffered lung trouble and died about 1930 when I was five years old.

Standing on the left is my father Wilfred John Smith, who also worked in the gasworks all his life.

The other soldier on the right is my uncle Charles John Smith, but I cannot remember if he worked before he joined up.

These were: The Civil Service Rifles (originally the Loyal Volunteers of London), The Admiralty Rifles; The Artist Rifles; The Barclay Rifles and The Yorkshire Bicycle Rifles.

At the commencement of hostilities, these regiments, who were more or less privately owned had the prefix Prince of Own added to their names.

A total of 4,088 were transferred to other regiments, 1,227 killed in action, 217 were prisoners of war and received 474 decorations.

S W Smith,
Barry.

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ABOVE:

This was the scene on the river near Ogmore Castle recently, when local photographer Glyn Evans was passing by with his camera. All four cygnets were safely on board at the time – although the one clinging on at the end fell off soon afterwards!

LOCAL PACT MEETINGS

COURT PACT, 7pm, June 30, at the Ilminster Scout Hall, Ilminster Street, Barry.

GIBBONSDOWN PACT, 6pm, July 5, Residents Board Office, Coychurch Rise, Barry.

BARUC PACT, 7pm, July 14, St Francis Millennium Centre, Park Road, Barry.

DYFAN PACT, 6pm, July 19, Barry Comprehensive School, Port Road, Barry.

ST ATHAN PACT, The Gathering Place, July 3, at 2pm.

St Nicholas & Bonvilston Community Council meeting, Bonvilston Reading Room, July 4, 7.30pm.

COWBRIDGE PACT, July 11, at the Fire Station, Druids Green, 7pm.

LLANTWIT PACT, Llantwit Major Leisure Centre, 7pm.

ST AUGUSTINE'S PACT, Windsor Public House, July 21, 7pm.

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THE 58th Barry District Scout and Guide annual fete, will take place at Romilly Park this Saturday (July 2) with the official opening at 1.15pm.

This year's fete will feature a field gun display team, as well as the usual marching band and Scout and Guide arena events.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the Tigers children's display team as advertised and listed in the programme will not be performing at the fete.

As a replacement, James Dylan's Stuntworld Motorcycle display

team will be showcasing their skills in the arena.

As a larger arena size is required and for health and safety reasons, the available space for public parking will be reduced this year, so patrons should walk or use public transport wherever possible.

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A scene from last year's Scout fete.

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THE Park Crescent and Knap area is known as 'The Gateway to Barry Coast' – and for a good, historic reason.

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that they had dreamed of for so long!

The summer is a special time for the Romilly area, not just for its seasonal day-trippers, but because the park hosts one of the town's biggest annual events – the Barry District Scout and Girl Guides fete. And it is held this Saturday, July 2.

It means that from Park Crescent all the way down to the Knap there will be hustle and bustle, as large crowds make their way to the park but also savour the delights of the local area.

It will illustrate the fact that the area, which hosts a number of vibrant businesses, caters not just for Barry locals, but those from the Vale and beyond – day visitors out to spend time on the beach or those heading for the excitement of the Pleasure Park.

Typical of the local family-run businesses is Florantina Florists, which is owned by the Kellaway family.

Son John said: "The shop was started by my mother and father, Jan and Den, 21 years ago.

"We're a Barry family and provide bouquets for anniversaries and birthdays, and specialise in funeral tributes."

For people who trav-

el up and down Park Crescent in the car, concentrating hard on the busy road, Florantina Florist strikes the local shopper on foot as something of a local diamond. The shop exudes dazzling colour and the perfume of hundreds of flowers.

John said: "I originally worked in garden centres so I had a good knowledge of plants, but I retrained in floristry.

"We've always done well, thanks to recommendations by word of mouth."

The variety of businesses locally is impressive: chemists, dentists, beauty salons, hairdressers, pet care salons, memorial sculptors, chiropody centres, an angling supplier, and even the bonus of a local post office – everything you would expect from a select, quality shopping area.

What comes as a

surprise in the Romilly area, is how far away family businesses deal with clients. They are not restricted to the narrow confines of Barry, Llantwit Major, Sully, and Dinas Powys.

Meryl Hopkin of Room Designs, is celebrating her interior design business's first anniversary.

"I do a lot of contract work – and that

can be all over Wales, even as far away as north Wales.

"The last year has been more successful than I thought it would be.

"I am now building up my private client base, often getting local referrals.

"People should be aware that if I'm not at the shop, I'm available on my mobile phone."

The reason? Meryl is often out at a client's home, providing expert advice and a variety of options as to how the company can transform any room in someone's house.

For Room Designs, July is a big month. Meryl is sponsoring her daughter Jodie in the Miss Wales contest which raises funds for The Joshua Foundation children's charity.

One of the most popular shops in the Romilly area is The Grape Vine. And for a very good reason.

Alan Petersen and his staff are a one-stop shop for that extra special bottle of wine at the end of a long day – and more besides.

Alan explained: "We now have an additional 'general convenience' section which means people can pick up things like bread and milk, with a touch of deli" available, too."

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ABOVE: Alan Petersen, manager, and Doreen Oakley, deputy manager, of Grape Vine.



Linzi Windle of Coffee and Cream, which offers a selection of gift ideas, homemade cakes and freshly-made coffee.



ABOVE: Khalid and Khubaib of Harvey's Fish and Chip Bar

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Of course, The Grape Vine jealously guards its reputation as the "go to" store for a huge choice of chilled wines, beers and ciders. This week, Alan and his team have selected some Spanish and Aussie wines for special deals.

Alan added: "We've got a great clientele and offer a friendly service to people with specialist advice. Most of the staff are qualified in the General Wine Certificate of Knowledge."

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opens at 10am and runs 'til 10pm.

Other businesses also provide valued services throughout the daytime and evenings.

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Meryl of Room

Designs emphasised: "A great thing about the local businesses is that they are all prepared to help out each other, and do their best for customers."

Community shopping areas have become more valued in recent years as people fear an overkill from the relentless march of the giant supermarket chains.

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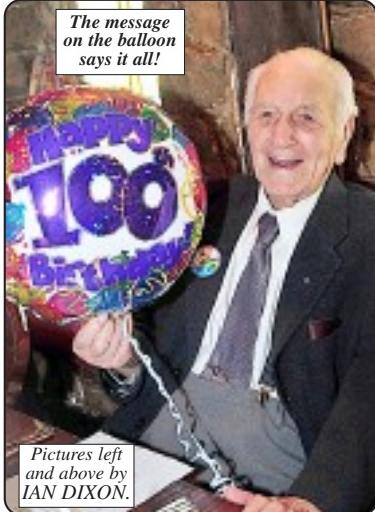
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Family salute Alf on his 100th birthday!



Alf with his daughter, Jennifer and son Brian. His other son, Leslie, joined the party later.



The message on the balloon says it all!



ABOVE: Alfred proudly holds his card from the Queen. (Picture by Bruce Evans)

MORE than 30 family members gathered from far and wide at East Aberthaw on Sunday to celebrate the 100th birthday of local historian Alfred Mills, of Barry.

'Alf' is well known to long-standing GEM readers for his distinctive and authoritative writing style over many years.

Indeed, many of his fascinating GEM articles were collated by Valley & Vale in 1996 and published under the title 'MEMORIES IMMUNE TO TIME - recollections of a childhood in the Vale of Glamorgan'.

Our readers have been kept enthralled by Alf's razor-sharp memory that gives a unique personal insight into

events and personalities spanning his lifetime and in doing so, brings the area's history vividly to life.

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tions received, one from Her Majesty the Queen took pride of place.

During the meal, Alf thanked everyone for their company and best wishes on reaching his 100th birthday and said:

"My regrets are that as I am no longer driving, I do not see most of you often enough.

"Why good fortune has enabled me to reach this age and still be blessed with my mental faculties, I know not but I am very thankful.

"Sadly, my physical abilities have become restricted and so I am extremely grateful to my daughter Jennifer and her husband Bruce, who are caring for me so well; and to Brian, who regularly pops in to see that all is well and often soothes my spirits at the piano.

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time experiences in growing up in Rhoose and Porthkerry, and I must sincerely thank him for the birthday cake as a gift from The GEM.

"Of late, Dad is having an input to LaFarge who run the local cement works and they are to celebrate the works centenary in 2012 and will be publishing some of Dad's work experiences and knowledge from his lifetime employment at both the Rhoose and Aberthaw cement works.

"Indeed, LaFarge had kindly contacted him knowing of his forthcoming 100th birthday and last Friday, their works manager, along with a works colleague of Dad's, visited him at Dad's home and presented him with a Pulsar digital watch, as he has been experiencing difficulty in winding his other watch."

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Louise Presley-Turner, life coach and author of self-help manual *The Game Of Life*, has this to say:

"Try new ways to tackle unsatisfactory 'corners' of your life, curbing bad lifestyle habits, or perhaps sorting out any niggles with family and friends so you clear

out any emotional clutter.

"All those things can hold you back, affect your happiness and affect your general sense of wellbeing."

She offers nine ways to think yourself to a happier and healthier life.

Transform negative internal voices.

"Many of us are limited by negative self-talk, which may be a result of what we've been told about ourselves during our childhood or caused by life experiences. I call it the 'inner critic,'" says Louise.

What to do? Make a

habit of facing up to those thoughts, challenging them and retraining your mind to be more positive.

Louise says:

"Encourage a positive inner voice to give you messages such as, 'I can' and 'I will try'.

Adjust your priorities.

Allowing yourself to be at the bottom of the list for attention and care will only result in leaving you feeling tired.

If you find yourself saying 'Yes' when you know you ought to be saying 'No' it probably means you're not using your time well,"

by GABRIELE FAGAN

says Presley-Turner.

What to do? List each area of your life in order of importance, then analyse roughly how much time you want to spend on each section to help you recognise

when your time or

emotional boundaries are overstretched.

Also, list enjoyable activities you would like to do. Each week, value yourself by choosing to do one thing from the list. Value your relationship.

Passion and intimacy can naturally wane in long relationships as routine and the demands of family life take their toll.

"Everyday life can mean you gradually become less of a priority to each other," says Presley-Turner.

What to do? Ensure you communicate every day, even for just five minutes, and really listen to what each other is saying," she says.

Respect your partner even when you disagree, and never belittle them in front of others."

Look after your health.

Feeling physically

less than 100 per cent, or bothered by neglected health issues, will impact on your life and wellbeing.

What to do? "Take responsibility for your health. If necessary, make appointments to see a doctor for a general health check-up so you know if ailments are affecting your outlook or energy levels," says Presley-Turner.

Look at your finances

Money worries are stressful but organising finances will help you lead a more balanced, harmonious existence, says Presley-Turner.

What to do?

"Analyse your last bank statement by splitting spending into three categories so you have a clear picture of where and how you spend your money," she advises.

Mark household bills which must be paid, such as a mortgage, as A; services which are a necessity but not crucial, e.g. mobile phone bills, Sky TV, are B; and mark a C on luxury items such as DVDs, shoes, takeaways.

Consider the Cs and identify three ways you can cut back on those in a week. Look at people in your life.

Are there people in your life who consistently drain your energy?

"These are 'energy vampires' – people who are always in some kind of crisis or another and love to bombard you with their problems."

What to do? "List individuals who sap your energy and don't feel guilty about this, and then list others who lift your spirits," she advises.

Spending as much time as you can with the latter, and avoiding negative conversations can have an amazingly positive effect on your wellbeing and general happiness."

Look at your

'vision'.

Regularly breaking promises to yourself about making life changes can lead to a lowering sense of disappointment in yourself and a general feeling of failure.

What to do? Set specific and measurable goals, Presley-Turner advises, by identifying up to three areas of your life where improvements are most needed.

Set a goal within each area, such as saving £1,000 a year, putting passion back into my relationship or changing career, she suggests, and write the goals on a card which you display prominently.

"Take five active steps every week to move you towards each of those goals," she says.

Change your routine.

Hectic lifestyles can make it seem impossible to find time to refresh mind and body.

What to do? "Early morning is the best time for both body and spirit as you're rested, fresh, and the world around you is probably at its calmest," advises Presley-Turner.

Set the alarm half-an-hour earlier, she says, and use this extra time to meditate, do gentle exercise, or simply sit and have breakfast in the garden.

Fill your 'sleep tank' by having two early nights each week to boost energy levels.

Spring clean your career.

"Although we spend most of our lives working, many of us unnecessarily tolerate unful-

filling or unsuitable jobs because we can't see a way to change them," says Presley-Turner.

What to do?

"List your likes and dislikes, passions and values, talents and abilities," she advises.

"Take an objective look at your current job – how many of your qualities does it match and use.

Friends may also help you evaluate this."

In the meantime, improve current employment by identifying five ways you would improve your working week, whether working from home once a week, to getting an out-of-office lunch break. Take action to achieve them.

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If there's one thing guaranteed to instantly sap your wellbeing – it's aching, painful feet.

Most women have limped home after a shopping trip or had throbbing feet after an evening teetering on skyscraper heels.

However, recent research, by The Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists to mark its recent 'Feet For Life' campaign reveals the effect could be more long-lasting.

High heels, it warns, are leading down the path to osteoarthritis, with the number of cases rising sharply as high and ill-fitting shoes put pressure on the foot, knee and ankle joints.

What is more, it isn't safe to assume summer

flatties, sandals and flip-flops are risk-free – they should also be worn with care, according to foot specialists, as they may not do feet any favours.

"As soon as you start to expose your feet in the summer, they're more vulnerable to injury," points out Michael Harrison-Blount, lecturer in podiatry at the University of Salford.

"You're removing the protection that closed-in, solid shoes offer the skin, soft tissue and joints of your feet."

"Also, summer footwear offers a lot less stability compared with winter shoes with laces, straps or buckles."

Choosing well-fitting sandals ideally with a solid, substantial heel, he points out, is essential.

In general, the society recommends women choose round-toed shoes with a maximum heel of one inch or 2-3cm and with shock absorbent soles.

When buying sandals, Harrison-Blount says, people may also

need a larger size than normal as heat can cause feet to swell, resulting in a tighter-fit, increasing the possibility of sore spots and blisters.

Also key is wearing the appropriate shoes for the occasion and activity, he advises.

"For a day-long shopping trip, avoid flip-flops because they offer no support," he says.

"That means feet will have to work much harder and are likely to feel uncomfortable and achy far faster than in a shoe."

Experts from the Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists give their verdict on the most popular summer footwear.

Sandals

"They're among the worst choice of sandals because they are ultra-flat with no support," says Lorraine Jones, from Chiswick Feet.

"With no support, wearing them leads to overuse injuries such as tendonitis, and for some, lower leg, knee, hip and back problems. Pain in the form of a dull ache may develop after as little as two weeks."

"They generally have leather soles, which provide zero shock absorbency for the feet and lower legs and this, combined with the lack of support, increases the risk of developing a painful heel condition, plantar fasciitis."

When to wear: They're definitely not for everyday use – keep

for special occasions. **Espadrilles.**

"The natural cotton fabric in espadrilles provides air conditioning for the foot but doesn't stretch and, in fact, can shrink in the wet," says Beverley Ashdown of the Ashdown Clinic.

"But, most styles are extremely flat, which can strain the lower back, legs and Achilles tendon, particularly if you're used to wearing heels."

"The lack of cushioning and shock absorption also aggravates the back, knees and feet."

The fabric provides little support and the upper of the shoe can become misshapen allowing the foot to slip.

"As a result, the toes 'claw' to keep the shoe on the foot. This can

result in blisters and corns on the tops and tips of the toes."

When to wear: Keep for just the beach and choose a slightly raised, wedge heel for less calf strain.

Flip-flops

Flip-flops injure around 200,000 people a year and cost the NHS around £40 million a year treating injuries, according to research.

"Flip-flops force people to change the way that they walk and tend to make people shuffle," says Mike O'Neill at The Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists.

"They provide little support or cushioning to the feet, leaving the lower leg and foot to absorb the full impact of movement."

"If you're not used to wearing them you can

get blisters, especially where the thong meets the foot."

"There's also a risk of injury from tripping over and stubbing toes, although they have one advantage – feet are open to the air which can be helpful for those with sweaty feet."

When to wear: Save them for the beach, but take care on wet, slippery surfaces as they have little grip leaving a wearer vulnerable to slipping or tripping.

Away from the beach, avoid walking long distances in them and alternate with supportive shoes.

Wise buy: Fit Flops claim many benefits, including absorbing more shock than a normal shoe, and reducing foot pressure and pain from heel spurs and plantar fasciitis.

Beauty therapy student takes to the high seas!

A BEAUTY therapy student from Penarth is set for a life on the ocean wave – working on luxury cruise ships.

Charlotte Lee (19), studied beauty therapy at Barry College and will now be employed by the Steiner Line.

"Working in beauty therapy is something I've always wanted to do since I came to Barry College while I was at school – and I've loved it," Charlotte said. "I will have to finish the course two weeks early now that I have got a job with Steiner, but I have finished all of my work."

"Steiner operates spas on cruise ships all over the world, so I am not sure where I will be going yet, and the line has a spa on the Royal Caribbean, which is the largest liner there is. I could be working on that, which is exciting. I'm just really looking forward to it."



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£5,000 handed over to 10 local causes at store

TEN local causes have received donations from Waitrose Barry at a cheque presentation evening, where a total of £5,000 was handed over.

Each month, three local causes are supported by the branch, with £1,000 being shared between them.

The evening was hosted by branch manager Rob Waite, customer services manager Caroline McCarthy and branch partner Vicki Barree.

Cheques were presented to the following:

Sully Centurions Cricket Club £150; Gibbonsdown Salvation Army £320; Association for Spina

Bifida & Hydrocephalus (ASBAH) Cymru £530; Penarth Branch of Kidney Wales Foundation £380; Penarth Lifeboat Station £300; Bridgen

Dogs Trust £320; Cadoxton Community Centre £555; Vale of

Glamorgan Silver Band £280; Cardiff Ice Skating Club £165.

There was also a special presentation to representatives of the Dinas Powys Music Festival, who received a cheque for £2,000.

So far, over the last year, the Community Matters scheme has donated more than £2.7 million to 8,500 causes across the country, with Waitrose Barry supporting 36 local causes and donating £12,000.

Police invite public opinion

SOUTH Wales Police Authority has launched a new survey so the public can tell them what they say think the levels of crime are in their local area.

The survey, available at www.southwalespoliceauthority.org.uk, aims to find out what the public perception of crime is across south Wales.

Alongside the web survey, roadshows are taking place in supermarkets and shopping centres in each local authority area.

Chair of the Police Authority, Russell Roberts, said: "Crime in South Wales is falling. It is now at its lowest level for 25 years. However, the public perception of crime is increasing."

"We are asking local people whether they think there are high levels of some crimes in their area.

"The survey is quick, simple, and anonymous."

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Committee to consider new Waterfront plans

AN extraordinary meeting of the Vale Council's planning committee will take place on Thursday, July 7 at 6pm to discuss applications for development at Barry Waterfront.

Prior to the committee meeting in the evening, councillors will undertake a site visit at 3pm.

The plans involve a £230m regeneration which include a new link road from Barry town centre to Barry Island, a new primary school, hotel, supermarket and community facility,

a Waterfront district centre featuring cafés and restaurants, as well as up to 2,000 new homes, comprising a mix of private and affordable housing.

Speaking on behalf of the consortium behind the plans, Richard Keogh, said: "We're pleased that the application is being finally heard before planning committee.

"This is a hugely important next step to bring this major scheme to Barry.

Penarth Computer Club: home network basics

IF you are reading this it is odds-on that you have a home network. Don't believe me? If you have a laptop computer, the keyboard and monitor and finger-pad are all part of a single piece of kit.

That is not a network, but how do you print anything? If you link to a printer you have a network, albeit a very simple one.

That, as Chris explained at our recent meeting, is just the starting point. You will want to use other bits of kit such as an external hard drive for backup storage; a scanner; another computer (or two). These days, everybody wants to have access to the internet for browsing or sending emails. A device to act as a gateway to the internet becomes a must.

The equipment might be spread around the house, especially if multiple computers are involved. This is where the home network comes into its own. A network allows the components to talk to each other. It is speedy, handy and becoming essential.

A network has big advantages. It eliminates duplication of peripheral equipment such as printers, scanners, external storage devices and a gateway to the Internet. You can opt to use a brilliant printer for high quality colour output, yet save on overall printing costs by having a cheap and cheerful printer for the less important stuff or where colour is not needed.

Nowadays people are going for better home entertainment by incorporating DVD players, games consoles or attaching video cameras. What you can get on your computer screen you can also view on your big TV.

Chris compared the merits of using wired connections with wireless. The first thing to note is that it is OK to mix the two. A wireless link will be slower, but there are no untidy cables on view.

On the other hand, wireless links can suffer from interference and their range is limited by thick walls. Cables have no such problems.

There is a procedure for setting it all up. Some items, like the gateway to the Internet (also known as a Router or a Home Hub) will automatically detect what is connected while others will have to be 'introduced' to each other.

People use names, but computers work only with numbers. Fortunately it is easy to get the system to display the names we can understand although it is using numbers in the background.

All this can be a bit off-putting to the inexperienced, so Chris had prepared some simple video files to show how to do the basic 'introduced' and get things started. These are being tweaked and compressed for addition to our website in due course. They can then be downloaded to help in the setting up process.

Enquiries to 029 20708439 or visit penarthcomputerclub.co.uk.

PENARTH & DISTRICT RAMBLERS NEWS

Taking a coastal walk around Barry

A GROUP of six (which included new walkers Ian and Sue from Penarth) and dogs Jodie, Bracken and Bronte joined leaders Janet and John at the Bridge Café, Cold Knap at the start of a summer evening walk in bright sunshine but with a blustery wind.

Circumnavigating the lake, the group crossed the site of the old Knap bathing pool to Watchtower Bay, where the watchtower was built in the 1860s and was used for many years as a lifeboat station.

They crossed Friars Point with its misty views across to Weston-super-Mare, the Somerset coastline and Flat and Steep Holms, whose name is derived from a Scandinavian word for an island in an estuary.

The coastline has the second highest tidal range in the world and Barry Island, which derives its name from St Baruch, was indeed an

island until the 1880s when it was taken over by Majestic Holidays who renamed it the Barry Island Resort and finally closing its gates in 1996, the buildings were later demolished and the site has now been redeveloped with houses.

In fact until 1896, when a rail link with Barry town was established, the only way of getting to Barry Island was by boat or by foot, scrambling across sand and mud at low tide.

The coal trade grew much faster than Cardiff docks could cope with and a group of colliery owners formed the Barry Railway Company and began to build the docks in 1884.

The railways played an important part in the re-development of the docks and helped Barry Island become a very popular seaside resort.

Reaching Whitmore Bay the group gazed across to Nell's Point and nostalgia crept in.

Originally above the eastern shelter there were sand dunes and a tennis club and during WWII, the military stored ammunition in the area and Nell's Point held a nine-hole golf course, all of which was removed when in 1966, Butlins Holiday Camp was built.

That remained until

1987 when it was taken over by Majestic Holidays who renamed it the Barry Island Resort and finally closing its gates in 1996, the buildings were destroyed by vandalism, looters or souvenir hunters or were just left to rust away.

Passing the old Pumping Station, which provided hydraulic power for a variety of equipment that was used on the docks, they emerged onto Broad Street and then walked via Harbour Road and the Parade Gardens back to Cold Knap.

On July 2, meet at 9am at Cogan Leisure Centre for a nine-mile moderate walk at Afan Argoed; contact Phil on 01446 711533.

On July 3, meet at 9am at Cogan for an 11-mile moderate/hard walk at Skirrid and White Castle; contact Nick on 01446 420540.

On July 7, meet at 7pm at St Curig's Church, Porthkerry village (off the airport bend) for a five-mile easy walk at Rhoose Point; contact 01446 737131.

JOY STRANGWARD



PICTURED: Standing (left to right) are Jodie Beck, Matthew Maunder, Ian James, Paul Jones and Dave Wills. Seated (left to right) are Fiona King Evans, Karen Davies, Barbara Michael, Vanessa Allin Jackson and Sandy John.

Bank staff's support for the Amelia Trust Farm

A TEAM of 12 bank staff from NatWest swapped their work suits for gardening gloves and wellies and help out a local good cause.

The green-fingered volunteers spent a day at the Amelia Trust Farm near Barry as part of NatWest's initiative to support charities and good causes within the communities in which it operates.

The 160-acre working care farm is a charity providing a therapeutic environment for young people who struggle to engage in traditional education pathways or with social development.

It aims to empower young people to participate and develop their potential through fun and work-based farm activities.

Deacon Lorraine Brown, director of Amelia Trust

Farm, said: "We're really grateful to the NatWest team for volunteering at the farm. The farm requires continued maintenance so volunteers are invaluable in helping with the upkeep of the facilities."

Century of memories!

I AM a teacher at Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Curig, Barry, and the building that houses the school is celebrating its centenary this year.

The school was previously the Girls Grammar School before being Bryn Hafren; then it became Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Curig.

On July 6, we will be going back 100 years to 1911; the children and the staff will all wear appropriate clothing from the period, as well as offering various activities linked to the period in order to give an insight into Edwardian school life.

If you would like further information, please contact the school.

In the school hall, there will be a small exhibition which will be open to ex-pupils, teachers and their families.

It will be an opportunity to meet and chat and reminisce over a cup of tea or coffee between 10am-12pm and 2pm-3pm.

We would also like to hear your readers' memories about the building. If you could send these to the school as soon as possible it will allow us to use them in the exhibition on our memory wall.

If you would like further information, please contact the school.

WJEC chairman is re-elected

VALE of Glamorgan councillor Tony Hampton has been re-elected the chairman of Welsh Joint Education Committee (WJEC) the examination board which covers Wales and England and incorporates the National Youth Orchestra and the National Youth Theatre.

Coun Hampton commented: "I would like to wish all examination students the very best success in this year's examinations."

Nina Davies (history coordinator), Ysgol Sant Curig

STAR LINE-UP AT BARRY COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL AWARDS PRESENTATION EVENING



BARRY Comprehensive School's annual presentation evening took place in front of an audience of almost 1,000 people, including parents, families and friends, staff and other special guests.

Guest speaker Chris Corcoran, comedian, television/radio presenter and author, delivered an excellent and amusing address and encouraged pupils to seize the many opportunities available to them.

Welsh International Rugby stars Rhys Priestland and Jonathan Davies presented pupils with their prizes, plates, trophies and cups.

In addition to the prizegiving, the audience enjoyed a multimedia review of the year and were treated to performances from pupils Joseph Bennett, Matthew Bartlett and the Junior Ensemble.

Thanks to all those involved in making the evening an entertaining and enjoyable celebration.

ABOVE: Performing Arts & Film Studies Prize Winners.



Religious Studies Prize Winners



ICT Faculty Student of the Year – Thomas Rees.

Creative Arts Faculty Student of the Year – Daniel Saunders.



*ABOVE
Daniel Woolford receiving his Mathematics Prize from Chris Corcoran.*



Marie Carter presenting the John Carter Memorial Performing Arts Award to Daniel and Mathew Melbourne



ABOVE: Year 7 PTA Prize-winner – Cameron Leach.



Issac Mayne receiving the Governors' Shield from Chair Dr Matthew Griffiths .



*RIGHT:
Jimmy Jones Memorial Award Winner - Emilio Evangelista .
BELOW:
Mrs Evelyn Careless presenting her award to Sean Mayor*



Year 10 PTA Prize-winner David Gent with his family.



Welsh International Rugby stars Rhys Priestland and Jonathan Davies with International Cross-country runner Matthew Edwards.



Welsh International Rugby stars Rhys Priestland and Jonathan Davies with Mrs Gwynne, who presented the Emrys Gwynne Science Award for the first time.



Chris Corcoran with the Major Edgar Jones Prize-winner, Sam Taylor



*ABOVE:
LEFT
Mathematics Prize Winners.
ABOVE:
English Prize-winner Jake McInerney with his mother and Chris Corcoran*

Sully Centurions survive the weather – and earn themselves a fine victory!

SULLY Centurions' Second XI match against Newport at Burnham Avenue was the only fixture to survive the weather on Saturday and it was a successful day for the home side.

Sully skipper Matthew Thomas won the toss and decided to put Newport into bat on a windy and cloudy afternoon and it proved to be the right decision.

Iqbal and Jones got the Newport innings started and took the score to 16 before Iqbal fell to James Haswell for 6.

The second wicket fell

with the score on 42 when Jones was very well stumped by the returning Gareth Davies off the bowling of Lloyd Bruce.

It was not long before the third wicket followed and Dan Rowe bowled Carter for 5 with the score on 63.

This soon became 69 for 6 when he had Josham LBW for 1, followed by Lazar bowled for 1st ball duck.

This was followed the very next ball when Tobey was bowled also for a first ball duck and a hat trick.

Dan Rowe finished with 4 for 23, James Haswell 2 for 23 and Lloyd Bruce 2 for 26.

The second wicket fell

the runs on offer, and the score got to 92 when Dan Rowe, took a sharp catch at slip off the bowling of the impressive Lloyd Bruce.

Carter reached his 50 in 81 balls and the score went to 113 when D Jones was bowled by James Haswell for 9.

Carter then became the ninth man out when he was run out trying to take a risky second for a fine 62 – the score now 142 for 9, which soon became 150 all out when skipper Matthew Thomas bowled Powell for 12.

While the wickets were falling at the other end, Carter was taking

Sully openers, Chris Thorne and Shaz Rehan got the reply off to a good start and were going at over 4 runs per over when they lost the wicket of Thorne (for 16) on 39.

This brought Gareth Davies to the crease, who put on 23 runs with Rehan before he was stumped for 10 off the bowling of Matthew.

Cameron Sleeth came to the wicket to join Rehan but he never troubled the scorers and was third out with the score on 65, bowled by Matthew Jones.

Dan Rowe hit his first ball through the covers for a classy 4.

Rehan at the other end was pulling out some gems of his own with some lovely shots through mid-wicket and square leg.

Rowe and Rehan put on 33 before Rowe was caught at gully for 18 off Dan King, with the score 98 for 4.

Ben Spear came to the wicket to join Rehan and showed an old head on young shoulders while Rehan got to another chanceless 50 off 64 balls.

Spear and Rehan put on the highest partnership of the innings (41) before Spear fell for 9, bowled by Josham with the score on 139.

With just 12 runs to win, this brought skipper Matthew Thomas to the crease – and he wasted no time in getting Sully to the target, hitting a fine 4 to take them to within one run of the win.

The win was confirmed when Powell bowled a high bouncer which was called wide.

His last four innings have compiled a total of 380 runs at an average of 190 – a quite phenomenal run of form!

Sully 151 for 5; Newport 150 all out.

On Sunday, Centurions hosted Usk in the third round of the Welsh Cup and ran out winners by 146 runs.

Batting first, Centurions reached 51 when Shaz Rehan went for 17.

Ryan Sylvester reached 42 before he fell to Steadman, with the score on 76. Lloyd Smith and Chris Thorne took the score along to 133 when Chris was bowled by James for 26. Then a 97 run partnership between Lloyd Smith and Gareth Sullivan, punctuated by an array of boundaries, ended when Lloyd was eventually caught off the bowling of Portz for a well deserved century.

Gareth was out for 34, and skipper Jamie Sylvester reached 30 not out at the end, as Centurions posted an impressive 273 for 6.

After tea, Usk had reached 26 when Daniel Rowe removed Perrett for 13.

The second wicket came 5 runs later, with

Ryan Sylvester having Warwick caught behind for 4.

A third wicket stand of 47 between James and Portz ended when Portz was caught and bowled by Tom Evison for 43.

Lloyd Bruce got in on the act when he took the wicket of Catchpole for a duck, thanks in no small part to a fine catch by Tom Evison.

After this, the remaining wickets all went to Jamie Sylvester, as the Usk batsmen had no answer to the Sully skipper's accurate spin as he finished with an impressive 6 for 18 off 6 overs.

The visitors slumped to a final total of 127 all out after 32 overs, and Centurions will now travel to Swansea in the next round.

Sully 273/6; Usk 127 all out.

Third XI
THE Third XI hosted Welsh Asians at Wenvoe on Sunday and were unfortunate enough to have to bat first on an extremely hot day.

The opening pair of Aslam and Khan put on 61 for the first wicket as Centurions were made to toil in the sun.

The breakthrough came from Nick Jones, who bowled Aslam for 34, but Khan continued to play his shots and was building up a significant personal score.

Sam Banga had Ilyas stamped, with the score on 76 and then Ben Spear again whipped off the balls to dismiss Swaya off the bowling of Shae Ellis to leave the visitors on 99 for 3.

Asians continued to pile on the runs and the last 4 overs went for 40 runs and Welsh Asians finished on 232 for 5, with Khan carrying his bat for a well deserved 100.

In reply, Centurions began losing wickets at regular intervals and by the 22nd over the scoreboard made sorry reading, with Sully being 6 wickets down for 70 runs.

However, Ben Spear was showing some good form with the bat and while he was at the crease there was a glimmer of hope.

With Dan Thacker being the only other batsman to reach double figures it was soon obvious that Sully were fighting a lost cause.

Ben eventually went for a well made 58 and Dan was unfortunately run out for 13.

The final score of 169 all out was more than Centurions would have expected at the halfway stage, but it was still way short of the target (and came courtesy of an excessive 69 extras).

Sully 169 all out; Welsh Asians 232/5.

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Barrivale results

TUESDAY, June 14: First, cap.

Celia Thomas and Huw Thomas – 65.10 per cent; second, Irene Thomas and Jane Brook – 63.02; third, Alan Jones and Lyn Matthews – 58.85.

Celia and Huw also won on handi-

Above is a photograph of the winners of the birthday teams – Jane Brook, Judith Owen, Helen Jordan and Irene Thomas.

New members are always welcome at Barrivale, for more information ring 01446 733425.

MB

Luke blitzes opposition for karate gold medal

VALE Karate has taken great strides in developing karate for young children in Wales over the past few years, establishing classes for children from four years, the Vale Karate Tigers, with young squad members finding huge success all over the UK and beyond.

At the British Championships in Sheffield last weekend however, two more mature competitors were in the limelight.

Andrew Kanas and Heidi Christoforato were each contesting the veterans Kata events, which took place on Saturday.

The male event is aimed at Karate Kata athletes of forty years and above, while ladies of 35 years and over are eligible for the female category.

Andrew is professional instructor of the Kansai Karate School.

He won the men's veteran kata title at the British International Open in Glasgow last July, and defended his title in Sheffield with a series of impressive performances, demonstrating Kata from both the Shotokan and Shito-Ryu styles.

Heidi, a mother of two young karate champions, is relatively inexperienced in the competitive side of Karate, with only a few tournaments under her belt.

She began Karate almost five years ago after enjoying watching her children train.

On Saturday, Heidi negotiated three rounds, improving with each, before narrowly missing the gold medal.

At the other end of the age spectrum, Ewan Albright at nine, already three times a Welsh Champion, won three hard-fought matches before finally succumbing at the semi-final stage, settling for a nevertheless well deserved and hard fought bronze medal.

Sunday brought more success, with two Vale Karate members having medal hopes.

Luke Davies (16), has twice reached the final of his category at British Karate's premier championships, narrowly missing out on both occasions.

This however was to be his year, as he blitzed through the opposition, taking the gold medal in the Junior Mens -61Kg event.

Rhys Davies, at 18, graduated to the men's events this year, spectacularly winning both opening events of the Welsh karate league.

Against the best -84Kg karate fighters Britain has to offer, he narrowly failed to reach the final and so fought in the repechage final for the Bronze medal.

An all-action match saw Rhys come of age with an excellent win to take Vale Karate's medal tally at the highest quality event in British Karate to a hugely respectable two gold, a silver and two bronze medals.

RC

BAKER'S HALF-TON PROVES NOT ENOUGH FOR STAGS

THE Stags stumbled to a 16-run defeat to top-of-the-table, Pentrhy CC, in the Sunday Third XI League.

With the pitch slowly

departed, the job got even tougher and with the required rate rising, the pressure grew.

However, those odds were lengthened dramatically with the dismissal of Ian Gadd for a duck.

Young wicket-keeper, John Phillips, put on some useful runs for the second wicket with Griffett, but fell after being caught on 21.

Joe Walsh came and went, for a duck, after leaving a straight ball, bringing in Baker.

He, along with Griffett, kept the Stags ticking over until drinks, where they were 84-3 from 20 overs.

The restart proved too much for Griffett to handle, as wickets began to fall in pairs; first Griffett (36) and Edryd Thomas for a duck.

Baker kept going and passed the 50 milestone with some positive batting.

Elliott Clissold stuck with Baker and kept the Stags going with some useful runs.

However, when Baker (56) and Clissold (12)

departed, the job got even tougher and with the required rate rising, the pressure grew.

The pressure proved to be too much for the Stags as they were bowled out for 164.

UNDER 9S BEAT THE WANDERERS

BARRY under-9s travelled to Vale Wanderers to participate in a specially organised test match.

With each innings lasting eight overs, the match would prove to be an exciting one. The mini-Stags performed well in all departments, winning the match by 37 runs.

A REMINDER to all under-9 players that training sessions will continue on Thursday evenings, between 6pm-7.15pm. Newcomers (between 7 and 9 years old) are welcome to join, regardless of whether or not you have played cricket before.

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Development that may affect a Conservation Area / Datblygu a allai effeithio ar Ardal Gadwraeth

Application No./Rhif y cais:

Proposal/Cynnig:

Location/Lleoliad:

Conservation Area:/Ardal Gadwraeth

2011/00555/FUL

Construction of Nursing Home - 68 beds
Crystal Springs, Coldbrook Road East, Barry

Affecting the Cadwton

Conservation Area Consent / Caniatâd Ardal Gadwraeth

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2011/00561/CAC

Demolition of dilapidated 2/3 - storey former village hall building (in line with recently lapsed conservation area consent 05/01559/CAC) to facilitate construction of currently approved residential development (2007/00217/FUL)
Wesley Hall Centre, Station Road, Dinas Powys

Dinas Powys

Listed Building Consent / Caniatâd Adeilad Rhestredig

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Grade II

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Application No./Rhif y cais:

Proposal/Cynnig:

Location/Lleoliad:

Listed Building/Ardel Rhedredig

2011/00577/RG3

Amendment to planning consent granted 4 March, 2011 - new school and rugby pitch
Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg, Colcot Road, Barry

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS, 1999

NOTICE is hereby given that the Vale of Glamorgan Council, as Local Planning Authority, has determined the following application(s), having taken into account the information contained within the Environmental Impact Assessment accompanying the application(s):

2009/01108/FUL

Forest Fawr Farm, Forest Road, Llanharri
Western extension to Forest Wood Quarry (including demolition of Forest Fawr Farmhouse and outbuildings)
Approved 15 April, 2011

Documents and details of the decision, the main reasons and considerations on which the decision was based may be inspected free of charge in the Planning Department, Vale of Glamorgan Council, Dock Offices, Barry Docks, Barry CF63 4RT, during normal office hours.

Dated / Dyddiedig: 30 June, 2011

Rob Thomas

Head of Planning, Vale of Glamorgan Council, Dock Office, Barry. CF63 4RT

Who wants to build what and where?

- Mr Neil Kennedy, 79 Redlands Avenue, Penarth** – two-storey side extension to form dining/playroom and study.
- Mr A Jenkins, 12 Station Road, Rhoose** – single storey log cabin with veranda to rear of garden with windows and doors only facing house.
- Mr Mark Jones, 11 Coldbrook Road West, Cadoxton** – erection of double garage, widening of driveway and access and erection of double wrought iron gates and erection of fencing around property.
- Mr Calvin Hill, 2 Harbour View Road, Penarth** – front facing dormer.
- Mr John Harris, 10 Waun Ganol, Caversham Park, Penarth** – open entrance porch and loft conversion complete with two dormers to front roof slope.
- Mrs Tina Denning, 28 Laburnam Way, Penarth** – first floor side extension and rear conservatory.
- Mr Ross Allan, 16 Heol Street, Cattwg, Pendoylan** – remove one non-indigenous conifer tree located on the black boundary.
- Mr Salvatore Erri, Maerdy Newydd Farm, Bonvilston** – retention of existing car port and completion of part constructed hay barn.
- Mr John Elliot, 74 Plymouth Road, Penarth** – reduce Cypress in height by 50 percent complete removal.
- Mr D Wheeler, Down-Side, Sully Road, Penarth** – demolition of existing conservatory and construction of Orangery.
- Punch Partnerships, Bush Inn, St Hilary, Cowbridge** – install flue liner within chimney and add one chimney pot to left-hand chimney stack.
- Mr A Jenkins, 12 Station Road, Rhoose** – single storey ground floor extension to kitchen/dining room.
- Mr Lawrence Page, 2 Gibbonsdown Close, Barry** – single storey side extension for disabled showering and WC facilities.
- Mr and Mrs P Rose, Wayside Cottage, Station Road East, Wenvoe** – winter exercise area for horses.
- Mr Hywel Davies, Trefefn, St Brides Road, St Brides Super Ely** – domestic garden.
- Mr and Mrs R Smith, Fairways, 6 Cae Rex, Llanblethian** – extension to front and internal and external alterations.
- Mr O'Leary, Hendre Cottage, Michaelston** – fell two poplar trees.
- Marston's Inns, Cherry Orchard Public House (former College Inn), Barry Road, Barry** – retention of external timber pergola with translucent roof to provide covered external dining area.
- Mr N Safdar, 4 Port Mews, Port Road, Barry** – ground floor single storey mono pitch garden room with adjoining WC. Existing garage roof removed and raised 1100mm to provide mezzanine bed/study accommodation with ensuite.
- Mr and Mrs Tremblett,**
- Brynderwen, Llanharry, Pontyclun** – retrospective planning application for erection of fence above 2.0metres and other minor changes to building not included in planning permission 2009/00713/FUL.
- Mr John Lock-Necrews, Castle Edge, St Quentins Hill, Llanblethian** – dormer window to bedroom on rear elevation to match existing.
- Mr Huw Lane, The Old Post Office, Leechmoor Cross, Llandow** – removal of existing roof covering, rooflights, fascias, soffits and RW goods and replace with new; reduce width of rooflights. Grub up existing arrive and parking areas and replace with tarmacadam. Provide new timber side and rear boundaries. Installation of new roof insulation and over rafters.
- Mr Graeme Oddy, Maesydd, Llangan** – single storey link extension.
- Oxford Homes, Crystal Springs, Coldbrook Road East, Barry** – construction of 68 bed nursing home.
- Waterstone Homes Ltd, Former Westra Quarry, St Andrews Road, Dinas** – amendments to planning approval 2010/00968/FUL to marginally adjust the plot boundaries of the dwellings on site to accommodate internal layout changes to the three house types to be built on site.
- Mr Anthony Williams, 2 Julian Close, Barry** – two-storey extension, porch and conservatory.
- Mrs Susan Crocker, 8 Sunnycroft Lane, Dinas Powys** – reduce two oaks by 30 per cent.
- Mr Edward Thomas, Pancross Farm, Llancarfan** – replacement of existing livestock building.
- Mr Edward Thomas, Walterston Farm, Walterston, Llancarfan** – new barn for housing livestock.
- Mr Philip Finlay, Wesley Hall Centre, Station Road, Dinas Powys** – demolition of dilapidated 2/3-storey former village hall building (in line with recent lapsed conservation area consent 05/01159(CAC)) to facilitate construction of currently approved residential development (2007/00217/FUL).
- Mr Simon Lander, 3 Tudor Close, Penarth** – re-modelling of existing house. Two storey side extension and a single storey rear extension and associated works.
- Mr Remo Verma, Ty Uchal Farm, Llantrithyd, Cowbridge** – first floor bedroom and bathroom conversion.
- Mr Chris John, 75 South Road, Sully** – creating habitable space above existing single storey annexe building to the rear of the main house. New area created is to form ancillary domestic accommodation to main house. Minor upgrade of existing ground floor external finishes, new windows, render etc.
- Mr Steve Collins, 1 Castle Cose, Dinas Powys** – two-storey side extension and single storey rear store extension.
- Mr G Williams, 22 Cog Road, Sully** – creation of new dwelling in land to the rear of 22 Cog Road, Sully.
- Mr A Oakley, Penybrynn, Penlan Road, Aberthaw** – two storey side and rear extension.
- Dr Peter Dickson, Fairfield, Cowbridge Road, Llanwit Major** – conservatory style extension to kitchen. First floor extension over existing day room to provide bedrooms and ensuite, plus a single bedroom/study.
- Lloyds TSB Bank, 33 High Street, Cowbridge** – installation of internal light strips to the front elevation windows.
- Mr John Gooding, Ashdene, St Nicholas** – two-storey rear extension plus associated works.
- Mr I Williams, Ashley House Farm, Sutton Road, Llandow** – erect agricultural building.
- Mr Granville John, 158 Westbourne Road, Penarth** – loft conversion and dormer.
- Mr Edward Wolosewicz, 37 St Davids Crescent, Penarth** – Adaptation of existing house for disabled person and two-storey rear extension for family carers.
- Mr Craig Reynolds, 11 Tennyson Road, Penarth** – double storey side extension, disability ground floor access facilities, loft conversion, conservatory, off road parking and rear garden hardstand to access road.
- Mr John Godwin, 1 Radnor Green, Barry** – demolish existing side porch and construct new replacement.
- Mr G Williams, 22 Cog Road, Sully** – creation of new dwelling in land to the rear of 22 Cog Road, Sully.
- Gyfun Bro Morgannwg, Colcot Road, Barry** – amendment to planning consent granted March 2, 2011 – new school and rugby pitch.
- Mr I Hooper, 24 Adenfield Way, Rhoose** – rear single storey extension, with new garage porch.
- Mr Chris Lakin, Highlight Farm, Highlight Lane, Barry** – conversion of a farm outbuilding to holiday accommodation.
- Mr Salvatore, 22 Bryn Y Glyn, Rhoose** – conversion of existing garage into habitable room with replacement of garage door with new window to match existing.
- Mrs Kay Davey, OS field parcel 7552 to the north of the rural land running between Treoes and Llangan near Newland Farm, Llangan** – improvement of an existing highway access; the laying down of a consolidated hard core access track; and the construction of a stable block.
- Mr A Oakley, Penbryn, Penlan Road, Aberthaw** – two storey side and rear extension.
- Mrs Sharon Wright, Newbarn Farm, Newbarn, Flemington** – convert existing building into summerhouse with toilet facility.
- Fitz Project Management, 146 Holton Road, Barry** – change of use from A1 shop to A3 cafe/restaurant.
- Mr Phil Gilbert, 16 Berkrolles Avenue, St Athan** – two storey side extension and detached garage.
- Mr Mark Haynes, Ysgol** –
- Mr Keith Parfitt, 23 Greave Close, Wenvoe** – demolish garage and existing bungalow to slab level and construct new dwelling with extension to rear and side of property.
- Mrs Ially Stiven, 2A Washington House, Stanwell Road, Penarth** – replace old rotted timber sash window with double glazed upvc replica window – works completed.
- MA Hardy Ltd, New Farm, Port Road, Barry** – agricultural workers dwelling; erection of a harvested biomass storage building.
- Care Inn Ltd, Springbank Nursing Home, College Road, Barry** – retention of extract flue and air inlet to kitchen. Retention of boiler flue.
- Vale Orangeries, 1 Clos y Wiwer, Llantwit Major** – orangery extension to rear of property.
- Mr Michael James, White Lodge, Peterston-super-Ely** – porch to front of dwelling and removal of prefabricated garage and replaced with double garage with a lowered floor and living pitched roof.
- Mr Ross Flanigan, 92 Laverock Road, Penarth** – single storey extension and loft conversion with three roof dormers.
- Mr Warren, 29 Colcot Road, Barry** – rear and side two storey extension and loft conversion.
- Mr Jon Hawkes, Dow Corning Limited** – erection of single storey scaffold storage building on vacant concrete area.

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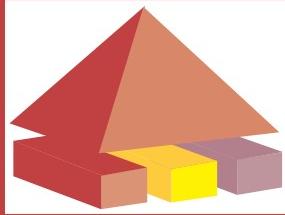
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PIODEN FARM, BARRY 5 Bedroom Detached House 	GWENNOLY GRAIG, BARRY 5 Bedroom Detached House 	THE PARADE, BARRY 4 bedrooms Semi-Detached 	Property of the Week NORTHCLIFFE DRIVE, PENARTH 5 Bedroom Detached House NEW		ST LYTHANS ROAD, BARRY West End Location 	ALBANY ROAD, ABERGAVENNY 	HOLTON ROAD, BARRY Superb Investment Opportunity 			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Substantial executive home Panoramic sea views With direct entrance of beach Three en-suites shower rooms Good size rear garden Double garage <p>£375,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well presented detached property Excellent views of bay & channel 3 en-suite shower rooms and bathroom Gardens to front and rear Garage <p>£339,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> En-suite shower & luxury bathroom Victorian executive property Overlooks the old harbour and bathrom Close to local parks and beaches Gardens No chain <p>£289,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuite shower & luxury bathroom Victorian executive property Overlooks the old harbour and bathrom Close to local parks and beaches Gardens No chain <p>£289,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beautifully presented detached Four bedrooms En suite & family bathroom Ample off road parking Rear garden with decked area Viewing highly recommended <p>£239,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spacious bay fronted property Two self contained flats Central location Close to amenities No Chain <p>£124,950</p>					
LOWER MAIN STREET, BARRY Traditional 3 bed Semi NEW	CASTLELAND STREET, BARRY Beautifully Presented 	CATASH ROAD, NEWPORT 2/3 Acre garden 	<p>Northcliffe Lodge dates back to the turn of the 20th century and is reputed to have been built by a shipping owner as lodge to the principal house "Northcliffe House". The property offers a unique opportunity to live in a cosmopolitan environment with some of the finest views across Penarth Marina to Cardiff Bay and the West Country. The property is surrounded by its own very private grounds , tiers of lawns of three levels, together with several courtyards that provide sheltered sun traps at different times of day.</p> <p>£1.3 million</p>	ROMILLY ROAD, RHOOSE First Floor Apartment 	COED YR ODYN, BARRY 4 Bed Town House 	CLOS YR WYLAN, BARRY Sought After Nells Point 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traditional semi detached Three bedrooms Large lounge/diner Family Room Kitchen/breakfast room Rear garden <p>£109,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bay fronted terrace Three bedrooms En suite shower room GCH & UPVC double glazing Garden to rear No chain <p>£124,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Substantial executive property Four bedrooms Finished to a high standard Solid oak doors, staircase & windows Private garden with sweeping drive 3 minutes from M4 Junction 24 <p>£895,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purpose built first floor flat Two double bedrooms Two reception rooms Gardens Off road parking <p>£99,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stunning views to the front Edge of Portmerry Park Four bedrooms Easy access to schools, shops and leisure facilities No chain <p>£175,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three story townhouse Three bedrooms Master with en-suite Sea views gardens with garage No chain <p>£199,950</p>					
MILTON ROAD 3 Bed Semi-Detached 	JENNER STREET, BARRY Central Location 	GLASTONBURY ROAD, SULLY Original Period Features 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modern semi detached Three bedrooms Spacious lounge Kitchen/breakfast room Good size rear garden <p>£99,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beautifully presented end of terrace Renovated to a high standard Three bedrooms Lounge/diner Good size kitchen Garden to rear <p>£109,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 bedroom detached property Private driveway Large rear garden Exceptional views Desired Sully location <p>£325,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BUTRILLS ROAD, BARRY Original Period Features Traditional semi detached Three bedrooms Two reception & conservatory Large rear garden No chain <p>£219,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BARRY ROAD, BARRY Reduced - Fantastic Value Traditional end of terrace Three good sized bedrooms Spacious lounge/diner Outside utility room Additional storage No chain <p>£117,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> STATION TERRACE, ABERTHAW Building Plot Building plot in conservation area East Aberthaw Full planning permission for a detached bungalow Three bedrooms Good location <p>£109,950</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> STATION TERRACE, ABERTHAW Five Bedrooms Spacious detached property Attached annexe Flexible accommodation East Aberthaw GCH and DG Good size garden <p>£320,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BARRY ROAD, BARRY Victorian Property Beautifully presented Three bedrooms Two reception rooms Kitchen/diner and utility room Off road parking for 2 cars <p>£157,950</p>

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MILLENNIAL VIEW, CARDIFF 2 Bedroom Apartment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First floor apartment Two bedrooms Spacious living accommodation En suite shower room Cardiff City centre location Underground gated parking <p>£600 pcm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First floor apartment Two bedrooms Spacious living accommodation Open plan kitchen/lounge Communal garden Close to town centre <p>£495 pcm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Studio apartment Part furnished West End location Includes gas, water & elec bills Close to local amenities Close to train station <p>£475 pcm</p>	WINDSOR ROAD, BARRY Studio Apartment 	

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Funeral service at Coychurch Crematorium on Wednesday, 6th July at 11am.

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**RIGBY
Jacqueline**

Peacefully on June 27 at home in St Athan, Jackie, beloved wife of Tony, dearly loved Mum of Susan, Stephanie, Rebecca and Marie and a much loved Nan.

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In accordance with the Representation of the People Act 1983 (Section 18) as amended by the Electoral Administration Act 2006 (Section 16), notice is hereby given that the Vale of Glamorgan Council is carrying out a review of its polling districts, polling places and polling stations.

The aim of the review is to seek to ensure that:

- all electors in the Vale of Glamorgan have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances, taking into account cost;
- polling places are suitable for use by all sections of the community;
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- polling places are located in an area of the corresponding polling district unless special circumstances make it desirable to designate an area that is wholly or partly outside the polling district.

Any elector within the Vale of Glamorgan may make representations on any aspects of polling districts, polling places and polling stations currently used. In addition the Council would welcome comments or representations from:

- elected members (Members of Parliament, Members of the Welsh Assembly, Councillors andouncillors representing elections in the Vale of Glamorgan);
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- town and community councils within the Vale of Glamorgan and any organisations representing particular groups of persons in the Vale;
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Any person or body making representation should, if possible, give alternative places that may be used as polling places, if this is what their comments concern. Representations should be sent in writing to the Electoral Registration Officer by Friday 5 August 2011.

The Returning Officer will comment on existing and any proposed polling districts and polling stations informed by representations received from interested parties. Initial proposals will be published on the Council's website from 1 September 2011 and will be subject to further public consultation until 16 September 2011. The Council will consider final proposals during September 2011 with the final review results published during October 2011.

Details of the existing schedule of polling districts, polling places and polling stations can be found on the Council's web site at www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk or from the Electoral services office, at the address below.

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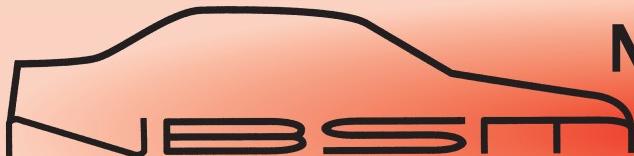
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Barry Rugby Club savour a successful season at annual presentation evening



ABOVE: Carol Jones receives the chairman's trophy from chairman Gary Haigh.



ABOVE: Alyn Evans, winner of the Bethan Howell award, with Lyn Howell.



Andy Jamieson, clubman of the year, with club president Lou Townson.

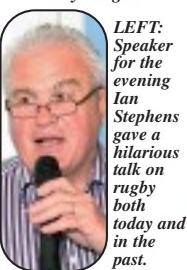


First team most promising player, Rhys O'Sullivan

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Club player of the year, Hwyl Jones.



LEFT: Speaker for the evening Ian Stephens gave a hilarious talk on rugby both today and in the past.



ABOVE: Youth team player of the year, Einan Scott.



ABOVE: Second team player of the year, Grantley Harris.



Third team player of the year, Andy Moffat, with Ken Chow.



ABOVE: Second team most promising player, Lee Jones.



Youth team most promising player, Luke O'Sullivan.

RECENTLY, Barry Rugby Club held their annual awards evening dinner at the clubhouse.

The packed club was entertained by guest speaker, ex-Bridgend, Wales and British Lion front row forward Ian Stephens, who provided the audience with some hilarious tales of the days when the game was a game and not a business, together with some strong views on the current game.

For the first time, the club welcomed members of the mini and junior sections of the club, together with players from the club's ladies' team to the event, which was great to see.

The individual and player awards were presented by club president Lou Townson, chairman, Gary Haigh and Ian Stephens.

The winners were as follows: First team player of the year – James Hadfield; First team most promising player – Rhys O'Sullivan;

Second team player of the year – Grantley Harris; Second team most promising player – Lee Jones; Third team player of the year – Andy Moffat; Third team most promising player – James Thorne; Youth team player of the year – Einan Scott; Youth team most promising player – Luke O'Sullivan.

Colours badges were awarded to Joel Williams, Rhys O'Sullivan, Dominic Busuttil and Julian McTavish, with an undated colours badge awarded to Ray Gallivan.

Thanks go to Stuart Lock, Dai Griffiths, Ken Chow and Steve Isaacs for introducing the winners for their teams, together with Mal Scott who took us through the evening in his inimitable style.

One final thank you must go to Carol and her staff, who had the room cleared before some of us had even left the building.

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went to Hywel Jones for his overall contribution to the season, while the Bethan Howell award was awarded to a player who this year played in all teams in many positions and stayed smiling – Alyn Evans.

Clubman of the year was awarded to Andy Jamieson, who was also shaken to the core to receive the coveted life membership of the club in recognition of his years of service.

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Congratulations to all the winners who each received an engraved tankard and club tie.

The chairman's trophy for services to the club over the year was awarded to club steward Carol Jones, a popular winner to say the least.

Club player of the year

Wolves step up a year - and fail to look out of place!

DINAS Wolves stepped up a age group recently in the Whitchurch Festival, and came away with the fair play award.

Dinas under-8s played in the under-9s group, and took on teams from across Cardiff.

They proved to be a big hit in the festival and on more than a few times, the Vale side out-played their Cardiff opponents, scoring a number of eye catching goals and winning games; not once did they look out of place.

Everyone enjoyed the day and the football played by Dinas was commented on by a number of sides who did not realise they were under-8s.

The Fair Play award is handed out to the team who show great footballing ability, sportsmanship, and support from the sidelines in a sporting manner.

Thank you to Whitchurch AFC for the invite and all the parents for their loyal support.



LEFT: The Fair Play award



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The St Andrews Major 'lady captain's day' is big success

ST. ANDREWS
Major Golf Club hosted their annual lady captain's day on Saturday, June 25, with 92 lady golfers from all over south Wales competing to win one of the many prizes on offer.

Intermittent light showers did not deter the ladies enthusiasm and the first four ball set off just after 10am.

St. Andrews Major is a relatively flat course but has some very unforgiving rough so on some of the holes accuracy, as opposed to distance, is the order of the day, which makes it an ideal venue for ladies competitions.

The visiting teams adapted well and some good scores started to come in, both in the individual and team categories.

In the team event the top prize went to a team of ladies from St. Andrews Major, which is the first time in several years that the home club has been victorious. There were other notable successes for the home club, none more so than Linda Seymour.

This was the first time that Linda had played with the ladies section having only recently taken up the sport.



ABOVE: Left to right: Yvonne Addison (vice Lady Captain), Candice LeFaucheur, Lynne Peters, Lindsey Lock, Sarah Mulhall and Jane Lott (Lady Captain).

One of the prizes she walked away with was best endeavour – but not for the worst score.

It was awarded for having spent a week of sleepless nights and feeling physically sick with nerves; she not only turned up on the day but came in with a very respectable 29 points, for which she also received the Chris Lewis bowl for the best stableford score for 30 plus handicappers.

A strong representation from Wenveo saw them share the away team honours with, amongst others, teams from the Vale, Ashburnham, Peterston Super Ely and St. Athan.

After a gruelling but very enjoyable round of stableford, Jane Lott, this year's lady captain, thanked all the participating teams for their attendance and their participation in making the day both successful and memorable before proceeding with the presentations.

Winners on the day were: 1st Candice Le Faucheur, Lynne Peters, Lindsey Lock and Sarah Mullhall (St. Andrews Major); 2nd Susan Atkins, Claire Huish Hughes, Delyth Thomas, Sandra Cook, Cheryl (Wenveo); 4th Sam Low, Rachel Hooper, Tanya Olney, Sarah Gronow (St. Andrews Major); 5th Lynette Bassett, Fiona Halpin, Doreen Davies, Julia Barlow (Ashburnham); 6th Kay Bowring, Karen Bryan, Helen Tweddle, Linda Seymour (St. Andrews Major).

Individual home: 1st Lynne Peters; 2nd Candice LeFaucheur; 3rd

Tanya Olney; 4th Rachel Hooper; 5th Hilary James.

Individual away: 1st Helen Hughes (Wenveo); 2nd Janet Williams (Wenveo); 3rd Rita Howells (Vale); 4th Kathy Slopland (Peterstone Super Ely); 5th Fiona Halpin (Ashburnham).

Nearest the pin: 3rd hole Debbie Williams (Wenveo); 15th hole Pat John (Vale); Longest drive 18th hole Sam Low (St. Andrews Major).

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- home team over 30 handicap: Linda Seymour (St. Andrews Major).

Best endeavour:

Linda Seymour (St. Andrews Major).

Best team endeavour:

Margaret Jeynes, Mary Phillips Morgan, Wendy Thomas, Maureen Anderson (St. Athan).

BACK-TO-BACK WINS FOR THE BARRY WANDERERS

LAST weekend, saw two back-to-back league victories for the Barry Wanderers First XI.

On a damp and cloudy Saturday, the Wanderers welcomed Newport to Hayes Point.

The start was delayed by an hour to allow the track to dry and the game was reduced to 35 overs a side.

The Wanderers won the toss and elected to field first, and this proved a correct decision when Bowles spectacularly caught the Newport captain for 0 off his own bowling.

Newport battled away, but wickets regularly fell with Bowles, Denning, Jones and Hughes all claiming 2 wickets each.

Some late hitting from the visitors pushed their score up to 159-9, a decent total but one slightly below par.

Despite losing Lanagan for a duck, the Wanderers were never in trouble. Sheriff carried his bat for a strike-free 61, and he was ably supported by Hughes, who notched up 50 before being caught behind chasing a wide one.

Hill (18) saw his side home with Sheriff to claim a 6 wicket victory with two overs remaining. The next day saw a closer finish when the Seasiders travelled to Abertillery on a baking hot Sunday afternoon.

Battling was tricky early on and although runs were not being scored freely, the Wanderers could not claim that wicket.

Fenton eventually found the breakthrough and one brought three.

Blundell claimed a victim before Fenton helped himself to another to finish with 2 for 18 off his allotted 10.

Jonny Hill's left arm spin accounted for two Abertillery batsmen and, ably supported by Aled Hughes, who also took 2 wickets, they pegged Aber back.

All came in and smashed a quickfire 25 before he was spectacularly caught by Webb off Blundell. Abertillery finished on 184-8; a great bowling effort in searing heat.

Determined not to suffer another failure, Lanagan opened the batting with Hassett.

The Aber bowlers gave very little away and runs were initially hard to come by.

However, they plugged away and weathered the storm to put on 50 for the first wicket before a mix up and an excellent throw led to Hassett being run out for 14.

Lanagan and Webb then toiled away in the late afternoon sun and manoeuvred the ball around skillfully to keep the run rate chugging along at 4 an over.

Looking to kick on, Webb was caught at short mid-off for 30 before Lanagan was given out LBW for 61.

This brought two new batsmen to the crease in the shape of Hughes and Coleman. Together they ran hard between the wickets and smashed some mighty blows.

Although they departed just before the required target, Coleman's 20 and Hughes' 33 allowed Fenton to hit the winning four to secure a deserved 5 wicket victory.

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Lifeguards' early start worthwhile

Emma and Tayla.



RACE 2 of the British Ocean Ski Series, sponsored by Icon Surfcraft, took place in North Devon on Sunday, June 19.

Around 50 paddlers were entered for the race, but due to adverse sea conditions on the day the venue had to be moved from Saunton Sands to Crow Point.

Emma Braggins and Tayla Edgerton, both members of Rhoose Lifeguard Club, travelled to Saunton during the early hours of Sunday morning in time for the 7.45am race registration/briefing. Emma and Tayla took first and second places in the girls under-16 race.

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Vale AM Jane Hutt wishes the Special Olympics competitors well as they prepare to leave for Athens.

THE Vale's AM Jane Hutt joined the Special Olympics competitors on the first part of their journey to Athens. She said: "We have a talented team from the Vale of Glamorgan joining the

With a number of competitors from the Vale the AM was proud to wish both them and the rest of the team well. Welsh team as part of the GB contingent and I am looking forward to hearing how many medals they have won."

Society enjoy best season yet

THIS past season has been one of the best for the Vale of Glamorgan Referees Society, with membership at an all-time high.

By attending and participating in meetings, it provides the opportunity for understanding and improving as a referee and this participation means a greater consistency in decision making.

But it's not just about refereeing, it's also educating and assisting

others about the world's – and the Vale's – biggest game!

Earlier this year the VoGRS was asked for their support from the Welsh Football trust, who were undertaking a project in Somalia by encouraging sustainable development through sports.

The programme was about delivering a range of activities using football as a vehicle for promoting the Millennium Development Goals, in particular MDG6, which is to combat

HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases.

The VoGRS assisted the project by providing referee shirts, kit and accessories, the Laws of Association Football, FIFA referee training DVDs and VoGRS pin badges.

There is a new referees course due to start shortly, and if anyone is interested then please go to www.footballreferee.org/web/SWF_AREFEREEES or email us at vogr@hotmail.co.uk.

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Ysgol Bro boys will carry the torch!

THE rugby sevens team from Ysgol Bro Morgannwg has been invited to take part in 'Gemau Cymru', a new national multi-sport event for young people.

Sixteen teams from across Wales have been invited to take part in the rugby tournament which is part of the Gemau Cymru sport festival. Ysgol Bro Morgannwg were invited by the Welsh Rugby Union following their success in different tournaments this season.

Efa Gruffudd Jones, chief executive of Gemau Cymru organisers Urdd Gobaith Cymru said: "We are delighted that the Ysgol Bro Morgannwg rugby team will be competing on Sunday, July 10 at the Cardiff International Sports Stadium.

Rhys Beynon, the coach at Ysgol Bro Morgannwg said: "This is a great opportunity for the boys to compete against the best of Welsh rugby's other rising stars. We look forward to an exciting weekend of top class rugby. It is an honour for us as a school to take part in the first ever Gemau Cymru event!"

On Friday, July 8 the

team will take part in the

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**CADOXTON V
VALE OF GLAM
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SELECT**

**K E L V I N
CHEDGZOY,** the president of the Vale of Glamorgan Bowls Association, was invited to bring a team to his own club, Cadoxton, for a match to commemorate this privileged title.

Players from 12 clubs in the association were included in his team; Aberkenfig, Barry Ath, Barry Central, Barry Plastics, Belle Vue, Cefn Cribwr, Dinas Powis, Llanwit Major, Murch, Ogmore Vale, Windsor, and Wyndham.

After a rainy morning, the sun came out for the event, and an enjoyable game was had by all, with both sides having success on three rinks each, although the aggregate went in the favour of the president's team.

After the game they were served by Cadoxton Ladies, with a delightful meal followed by humorous speeches from both the club chairman Les Cundiffie and the president.

Scores: T Bishop, M Mathews, A Brown, H Craven 20, K Morgan, L Symons, M Lloyd-Jones, G Hopkins 15; M Curtis, L Cundiffie, G Brown, D Kuhnell 18, D Eyre, K Chedgzy, J Manfield, G Charlton 16; G Solomon, A Turner, A Rees, A Carpenter 11, R Freeman 21; G Solomon, Doble, J Jones, M Sugden, H Hellyar, H Thomas, N Scouse 32; K Craven 19, K Westgate, P Davies, J Davies 14, C Rossiter, G Jones, D Newman 22; S Clements, David, A Collard 22; P Ellis, J Sugden, H Hellyar, D Brooks 6, B Rogers, V Messer, H Meddins, T Fahey 27; S Clarke, I Dunbar, R Powell, R Cole, L Cole, J Stewart 28, B Webber, JR Evans, DK Williams, G Humphries 14.

Final score: 97-126.

**CADOXTON V
ROMILLY-MUNRO CUP**

CADOXTON visited Romilly for this Munro Cup fixture, and found a green that was very difficult to play reasonable shots on.

Graham Brown skipped against Tony Freeman and in the opening three ends conceded a '3', '4' and '5', but later in the game collected a '5' and '6', scores which wouldn't normally happen on a good playing surface.

The home side won narrowly.

Howard Craven scored a '5' and '4'

whilst building a 13-3 lead against Mel Newman's rink but then conceded two '4's and two '3's during a comeback by the home side.

A '3' on the last end stopped the run, for another narrow defeat.

John Stewart skipped against Jeff Wright and had a '6' and two '4's against during their match.

Don Kuhnell's rink could not find any semblance of a line in their match skipped by Bryn Gough. The first one to the jack generally won the end.

This was done mainly by the Romilly lead, who found a straight line with 'straight' bowls which no-one else could follow.

Scores: S Clarke, G Davies, A Brown, G Brown 19, K Westgate, K Thomas, N Scouse 32; K Tanner, J Stacey, G 19, K Westgate, P Davies, J Davies 14, C Rossiter, G Jones, D Newman 22; S Clements, David, A Collard 22; P Ellis, J Sugden, H Hellyar, D Brooks 6, B Rogers, V Messer, H Meddins, T Fahey 27; S Clarke, I Dunbar, R Powell, R Cole, L Cole, J Stewart 28, B Webber, JR Evans, DK Williams, G Humphries 14.

Final score: 60-85.

**CADOXTON V
MURCH-ML3**

CADOXTON had a chance of a win in this match at the Murch, when trailing by just six shots with the final ends to play.

However, catastrophe struck when two rinks both with a three shot lead conceded a disappointing '6' and a '4' to leave them both.

Howard Craven held on to a one shot lead with a single to finish, salvaging the only two points from the game.

Despite taking an early 4-1 advantage, Don Kuhnell's rink scored on just four more ends, to be well beaten.

Scores: P Ellis, D Brook, I Robertson, G Brown 21, L Mayor, D Blainey, J Manfield, P Jenkins 22;

G Solomon, J Crout, A Brown, H Craven 22, R Grant, M Williams, I

Williams, C Grant 20; T Bishop, J Sugden, J Davies, D Kuhnell 10, C Salvide, G Lane, T Rice, R Pemberton 24; M Mathews, W Vaughan, L Cundiffie, K Chedgzy 16, D Poole, M Hughes, C Parsons, R Mauchline 19.

Final score: 69-85.

**CADOXTON 'A' V
LLANTRISANT - ML5**

LLANTRISANT were the visitors to Cadoxton for this 'A' side fixture.

Graham Garland's rink trailed 5-7 after 10 ends, but a '5' put them in front, with a lead that was never relinquished.

Conversely, at the same stage, John Stewart had skipped his rink into a 10-7 lead, but only a single was added during the next nine ends, which left the arrears too much to recover.

Alan Carpenter's four ends, with a '5' on the sec-

ond end which kept them in contention until the ninth end when a '7' opened a gap against.

Five ends later, another '5' brought them back into the game, but eleven against during the following five took away any chance.

Roy Harding struggled when his rink went 9-1 down before a '4' stopped the rot. Five ends later they took the lead at 13-11, but a '6' put them back in trouble.

Trailing by five shots at '4' on the last end, reduced the difference to just one.

Scores: G Powell, D Tuck, A Turner, R Harding 22-23; J Stacey, B Knight, M Curtis, G Garland 23-13; D Collard, S Clarke, R Cole, A Carpenter 18-29; S Clements, K Tanner, I Dunbar, J Stewart 13-23. Final score: 59-95. DK

Stags earn a league win over their Cardiff rivals

STEVE PROVIS made his maiden 1st XI century, as Nathan Baker's Barry Athletic 1st XI won an exciting match against Cardiff Gymkhana at the Barry Oval.

With the league showing Gymkhana being one place above the Stags, Barry knew they had to win to keep up their push for promotion.

With weather conditions favouring the bowlers, Baker had no hesitation in bowling first.

The first session brought much excitement for the neutral, with some aggressive batting from the visitors and an early wicket for Barry, courtesy of a routine catch for Baker from the bowling of Peter Hellyar.

Wickets were hard to come by and the Stags were under pressure, but this brought a fantastic fightback from the Stags, with two fine run outs from Hellyar and Provis and a host of wickets falling, Steve Jones and Paul Murphy getting in on the act.

Cardiff Gymkhana sneaked over the 225-milestone, finishing on 227-7 from their 50 overs.

After the tea session, the Stags were put under some real pressure with Lee Morgan and Nathan Baker falling for low scores in the opening overs.

The partnership of Steve Provis and Ian Gadd immediately settled into the task of digging the Stags out of trouble and everything was going to plan for the Stags until Gadd was trapped LBW for a valiant effort of 64.

However, all the plaudits went to Steve Provis, who capped off a majestic batting display to lead the Stags home to a comfortable seven-wicket win with three overs to spare.

'AB SHOW' KEEPS THE STAGS TOP

MARTIN BAKER led the Stags in their match against Croesyceiliog CC.

With the pitch suitable for bowlers, the Stags were up against it after los-

ing the toss and being asked to bat first.

The Stags had a tough afternoon forecasted, but got off to a steady start with Steven Jones and Andrew Buckland brilliantly adapting to the tough conditions.

Both batsmen made light work of the first 15 overs, making a partnership of 53.

Jones fell shortly after dragging the ball onto his stumps for 17 and this brought Ashley Baker to the crease.

Both batsmen accelerated the score to a more than respectable 93-1 from 25 overs.

Soon after drinks Buckland fell on 46 to bring a useful partnership to an end. The Stags were in danger of exposing an out-of-touch middle order, but Baker kept the Stags marching towards five-batting points.

Some positive knocks from Jophin Reji (20) and Baker senior (22) proved more than useful, but it was Baker junior who stole the show with his first senior century, finishing on 103 not out.

This gave the Stags an excellent foundation for the second session, after finishing on a fantastic 241-5 from their 50 overs.

The second innings brought four quick and crucial wickets, with Kryjomi, Lewis, Marsh and Coleman all departing for low scores, after some fantastic new-ball bowling from Jake Griffith and Max Anwar.

The home side put on a 100-run partnership to bring themselves back into the match and force some pressure onto the Stags. The pressure was soon lifted when all-rounder Andrew Buckland stepped up to remove the inform Axford and Hurley for 63 and 57 respectively.

This brought the game back into the Stags' control, and with Baker senior returning to his normal role of removing the last few wickets, the Stags dismissed Croesyceiliog for 199. AB



Brand new tops for the brand new team from Eden Park franchise owner Jonathan Bryant.

Bees celebrate first season of rugby

BARRY BEES, the brand new under-8s rugby team are kicking up a storm since they hit the pitch for the first time earlier this year.

The team played their first tournament in March.

They also took to the pitch recently at a special tournament hosted by Barry Rugby Club.

Losing by only one point in a play-off position in the plate, they were richly rewarded for their efforts.

Franchise owner of Eden Park Jonathan Bryant presented them with

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Athletic bowlers' convincing victory

BARRY ATHLETIC BOWLS CLUB'S A TEAM continued their confident drive for the PG2 top spot with a convincing win against Cardiff BC at Barry Island last Saturday.

best, skipping his rink to a 29-13 win.

Lead Don Evans, Derek Coombs and Ivor Stevenson gave Colin good support throughout.

Gareth Humphreys' rink (acting captain John Ball, Albert Mintern and Dave Newman), came in with an impressive 29-14-25 victory, while Paul Webley's squad of Clive Phillips, Roger James and Gary Jones, were comfortable winners, 24-11-75.

This resulted in the visitors having to rely on two triples, thus losing 25 per cent of their score on two rinks.

Nevertheless, the Athletic were in fine form on a superb green and collected the maximum 14 points with good wins on all four rinks.

Skip Billy Wright was involved in a keen struggle throughout, but a four on the 19th end helped to clinch a three-shot win.

It was the A team's sixth PG2 win in seven outings, and current form suggests they will be serious challengers for promotion this season, having been so close for most of last term.

Scores: J Ball, A

Mintern, D Newman, G Humphreys - 29-14-25; C Phillips, R James, G Jones, P Webley - 24-11-75; D Evans, D Coombs, I Stevenson, C Spillane - 29-13; E Booker, M Vaughan, B Summerell, B Wright - 21-18.

Barry Athletic are also through to the last 32 in the WBA Carruthers Shield competition.

They booked their place in the next knockout stage with an away win at Gelligaer last Saturday.

More than 250 clubs were involved in qualifying matches which began in May and the Athletic have excelled in winning their five matches to date.

The going will get tough from now on with many of the leading bowls teams in Wales chasing the Blue Riband of club bowls in the Principality.

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